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Philippine Strike Call Succeeds

For First Time, Aquino Faced by Wide Opposition

By Seth Mydans

New York Times Service MANILA — Thousands of transport drivers, telephone operators, teachers, government employees and factory workers struck Wednesday in a nationwide protest against fuel-price increases, despite a last-minute attempt by President Corazon C. Aquino to defuse it. It was the first time since Mrs. Aquino came to power in February 1986 on a wave of popular support that a broad cross section of society

Officials said that about half the nation's 13 administrative districts were affected.

Demonstrations, led by a leftist trade union, were held in a number of cities, and the police were re-ported to have fired shots and used water cannon and truncheons to break up some of them.

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More than 100 arrests and a number of injuries, including gunshot wounds, were reported.

Many people in Manila and other cities were unable to get to work or classes because of a walkout by drivers of "jeepneys," which are the primary mode of urban transport. A stranded commuter wearing a

yellow shirt, the color identified with Mrs. Aquino's triumph over Ferdinand E. Marcos, said she realized too late that she had worn the vrong outfit Wednesday.

The mayor of Manila, Jejomar Binay, sent flatbed garbage trucks to haul stranded commuters.

About 6,000 protesters gathered near the presidential palace, chanting, "Cory Aquino, puppet of the Americans," and were peacefully dispersed by the police.

The trade union, the May First Movement, said it would extend the one-day protest.

Although the president's spokes-man, Teodoro Benigno, had said her broad popularity would shield her from adverse reaction. Mrs. Aquino backed down Tuesday from the 18-percent increase announced Aug. 14 and announced a partial reduction.

The leader of a major moderate trade union responded with a promise to pull out of the strike, but it appeared that members of both the moderate and leftist unions participated.

Three days after the increase in fuel prices was announced, transport workers began a walkout that slowed business in Manila. As the protests spread, drivers

walked off their jobs Monday in the two other large cities. Davao ind Cebu City, and in a number of See MANILA, Page 2

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67 Are Arrested In Hess Protest

WUNSIEDEL, West Germany (UPI) — The police arrested 67 neo-Nazi demonstrators on Wednesday as they attempted to enter the cemetery where relatives of Rudolf Hess planned to bury the remains of Adolf Hitler's former deputy. The arrests were made as 1,000 neo-Nazis and curiosity seekers gathered at the Hess family plot shortly before 2 P.M., the time previously scheduled for the funeral, the

police said.



Caspar W. Weinberger, who said Tuesday that Western military power in the Gulf will continue to increase. Page 7.

GENERAL NEWS

In Hue, Vietnam's former imperial capital, memories of the Tet offensive of 1968. Page 2.

BUSINESS/FINANCE

Morton Thiokol, maker of the U.S. space shuttle's booster rockets, will test a redesigned model Thursday.

Sony Corp., the Japanese electronics maker, reported a sharp fall in profits. Page 11.

Kohl Pledges to Scrap Pershing-1A Missiles had joined in protest against her

Policemen dispersing striking demonstrators in Manila on Wednesday.

State Department officials also NSC staff and process should

ty Council staff, by meeting with
ambassadors in Washington. Mr. Shultz publicly criticized the

spreads confusion abroad about recommendations of the commis-

all the meetings, meet all the for-eigners and have the NSC do the ences with Defense Secretary Ca-

South African Strikers Are Rejecting Offer

JOHANNESBURG - A union official said Wednesday that black strikers were voting to reject slightimproved benefits offered by South Africa's major mining com- Pillay, said at the union's Johan-

The management proposal, which was made Tuesday with a 9 P.M. Wednesday deadline, included no wage increase.

"The reaction of the workers has shown that they are rejecting the offer," said James Motlatsi, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, in an interview in Transvaal Province. "It will be a massive rejection for most of our region because the offer itself is not

A UPI reporter visiting union a position to advise, ar offices in Secunda, east of Johan-left it to our members."

By Michael R. Gordon

New York Times Service

Ronald Reagan's overhaul of the

national security apparatus after

the Iran-contra affair has not re-

solved strong differences between Secretary of State George P. Shultz

and White House officials over the

conduct of foreign policy, accord-

ing to officials close to Mr. Shultz

and Frank C. Carlucci, the national

Shultz said in congressional testi-

mony last month that he was un-

happy with the current system. In

private deliberations, officials say,

he has repeated his suggestion for

strengthening his position as the

president's principal adviser on

foreign policy, and reducing the influence of Mr. Carlucci.

Privately, some State Depart-

ment officials echo this concern

more vociferously than the secre-

They complain, for example,

that Mr. Carlucci usurped a tradi-

tional State Department mission when he made high-level consulta-

With unusual bluntness, Mr.

security adviser.

the area had rejected the settlement A national spokesman, Kuben

nesburg headquarters that "there has been no official decision." "We are still waiting to hear what our members have to say," he

He said the union's decisionmaking executive committee had declined to recommend acceptance

or rejection because members were

split on how to react to the offer.
"Some of us feel it would be strategic to accept the offer, and others feel we must continue with the strike," he said. "We are not in position to advise, and we have

Who Conducts U.S. Foreign Policy?

complain that the National Securi- work."

who is responsible for foreign po-

those who believe that the adminis-

tration needs a strong staff on the

National Security Council to arbi-

trate policy disputes between the

State Department, the Defense De-

"Every secretary of state in his-

himself," said one official, who

tory wants to run foreign policy all

has worked in the State Depart-

ment and on the National Security

Council. "But it does not work that

by himself," said a senior adminis-

tration official who is supportive of

Mr. Carlucci. "State wants to chair

paperwork," this senior official

President Reagan appears to

have settled the matter by deciding

"Shultz just wants to run more

way.

complained.

tions in West European capitals against Mr. Shultz. In his television

earlier this month. Mr. Shultz made address early this month, Mr. Rea-

his strong reservations known to gan noted that he had fully adopted the White House, the officials add. the "Tower board model of how the

partment and other agencies.

Mr. Carlucci is said to be among

Shultz-Carlucci Tension Remains Despite Reagan Steps

will be taken on a national level once all the information is in."

Cyril Ramaphosa, the union's general secretary, headed the union negotiators in talks Tuesday with the Chamber of Mines, which represents the six major mining firms targeted by the strikers. The contract talks were the first since the strike began Aug. 9.

Mr. Ramaphosa said Wednesday that voting would be by a show of hands because the union would not have time to tabulate individual ballots from the 330,000 miners who are on strike at 45 gold and

In his congressional testimony,

sion, headed by former Senator

John G. Tower of Texas, on how to

avoid a repeat of the Iran-contra

affair. He said the recommenda-

tions granted too much power to

the National Security Council staff.

concerned that this criticism by

Mr. Shultz will encourage congres-

sional efforts to restructure the Na-

tional Security Council system,

which they say is now working ef-

endorsement of the Tower commis-

sion recommendations was includ-

ed in Mr. Reagan's speech to dis-

courage Congress from pursuing

legislation to restructure the Na-

Shultz has also had strong differ-

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use of American military force, Mr.

Reagan has often been reluctant to

lucci have important differences

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While Mr. Shultz and Mr. Car-

sues, such as arms control and the

Since he took over the job, Mr.

tional Security Council.

settle these disputes.

A White House official said the

Some White House officials are

Miners now receive only a porthe current 14 to 21 days.

the mining companies proposal also raises death benefits from two times a miners' annual salary to four times that amount. The union has sought to have death benefits increased to five times the annual

The chamber made no new offers on the union's other demands. which included a 30-percent wage increase, additional danger pay, a Call for Prompt Accord Under the proposal, miners and recognition of the anniversary would get a 10-percent increase in of the Soweto riots on June 16. declared that the Soviet Union the pay they receive while on annu- 1976, as a paid holiday. (AP.UPI) must not "erect additional barri-

George P. Shuitz

nesburg, was told by a regional Marcel Golding, deputy leader al vacation. They would not get any union organizer that four mines in of the union, said, "The decision additional vacation days.

tween East and West." tion of their regular pay when they who briefed reporters on Mr. Rea-gan's speech said that a representaare on vacation. They are seeking 30 days of vacation a year instead

tive of Mr. Kohl had called the U.S. national security adviser, Frank C. Carlucci, on Tuesday morning to tell him that Bonn was prepared to remove the Pershing missiles once a treaty removing the medium-range missiles was signed and implement-The Pershing missiles are owned

by West Germany, but their nuclear warheads are supplied and con-trolled by the United States. In his speech, Mr. Reagan also

Reagan Hails

Bonn Offer

On Weapons

By Lou Cannon

LOS ANGELES - President

Ronald Reagan welcomed the an-

kohl of West Germany that he would destroy 72 Pershing-1A mis-siles. saying that removal of this "artificial obstacle" smoothed the

way for approval of a U.S.-Soviet

short- and medium-range nuclear

Mr. Reagan inserted a passage

praising the Kohl move into a

speech in which the president chal-

enged Moscow to demonstrate its

new claims of openness by disman-ting the Berlin Wall, withdrawing

from Alghanistan and allowing

self-determination in Eastern Eu

"Of course, these are significant democratic steps," Mr. Reagan said in a speech delivered to the Town Hall of California, a civic

organization. "But steps such as

these are required for a fundamen-

tal improvement in relations be-

A senior White House official

missiles from Europe and Asia.



To Suspend Military Aid By James LeMoyne

MIAMI — Nicaraguan rebel leaders say they may suggest that President Ronald Reagan suspend their military aid on the condition that the Nicaraguan government move to open the political process in accord with a Central American

The move, which is still under discussion, would be designed to show good faith on the part of the rebels and the administration in observing the accord while keeping pressure on Nicaragua to carry out provisions on freedom to publish and to organize politically, rebel officials said this week.

Rebel political leaders and their main military commander are to meet with Mr. Reagan in Los Angeles on Thursday. Rebel leaders down at least three Sandinist helisay they will then go to see Repre-sentative Jim Wright, Democrat of Texas and speaker of the House, who has been working with the administration in secking a bipartisan consensus on Central America. political game and we have to

"We are in a completely new

the contras' six-member director-

ate. "We are in a period when we

dinists.

change our strategy to meet it." said Alfredo Cèsar, a member of

caution.

spend scarce resources, especially

said, they are losing about 400 dead and wounded a month, but inflicting far higher casualties on the San-

Chancellor Helmut Kohl

making the announcement.

ers" to a U.S.-Soviet agreement on

the global elimination of interme-

diate-range missiles, The Associat-

"We can wrap up an agreement on intermediate-range nuclear mis-

siles promptly," Mr. Reagan said.

There are still issues to be worked

out. Our delegation in Geneva has

already pointed the way to simpli-

fying verification requirements

now that we have agreed to the total elimination of U.S. and Soviet

capacity to maneuver and our

Rebel leaders have said they be-

lieve that the regional accord, signed Aug. 7 by five Central American leaders, forces them and

the administration finally to open a

policy toward Nicaragua in which

political and diplomatic initiatives

get at least as much weight as mili-

In the fighting, contra leaders

pacity to maneuver."

tary measures.

ed Press reported.

The rebels said that Americansupplied anti-aircraft missiles have had a major effect, having brought conters and having forced Sandinist pilots to operate with far more

The contras have made few dramatic attacks. But they appear to be slowly expanding their influence in the countryside and seem able to maintain a continuing presence there, forcing the Sandinists to

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Move Linked To a Geneva Agreement

By Robert B. McCarrney

Wishington Past Service
BONN — Chancellor Helmut Kohl pledged Wednesday that West Germany would dismantle its 72 intermediate-range Pershing-1 A missiles and not replace them with more modern weapons if the United States and the Soviet Union scrapped their intermediate-range missiles as foreseen under a proposed disarmament treaty.

Mr. Kohl's surprise announcement, which was a major concession, appeared to remove one of the last obstacles to a U.S.-Soviet pact to dismande all ground-based nu-clear missiles with ranges of between 300 and 3,500 miles (500 and 5,700 kilometers). The Pershing-IA has a range of about 450 miles.

"I want to help the American president to bring the Geneva negotiations to a successful conclu-sion," Mr. Kohl said.

Mr. Kohl announced at the start of a news conference that the antiquated Pershing-1As, which are under joint U.S.-West German control, would be dismantled after all the U.S. and Soviet weapons were removed under the proposed

He fixed the condition that both superpowers had to adhere to whatever schedule was agreed to under the pact for dismantling their missiles.

Tass said that Mr. Kohl had set "a number of preconditions" for dismantling the Pershings, and it hinted that the Soviet Union would prefer to see the Pershings dismantled earlier than Mr. Kohl promised. But Tass did not rebuff the West German declaration.

ously that it would accept the treaty, in the closing phase of negotia-tion at Geneva, only if the U.S.controlled nuclear warheads on the

of weapons to be dismantled under the treaty. But the United States has maintained that they are West German weapons and fall outside the scope of the bilateral U.S.-Sovi-

et treaty.

Mr. Kohl took the initiative on the Pershings largely for the do

mestic political purpose of casting himself as an active disarmament supporter in advance of state elections on Sept. 13 in Schleswig-Holstein and Bremen, government and diplomatic sources said.

Mr. Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union lost ground in national elections in January and in state elections in May mainly because its foreign policy was

Mr. Kohl also was eager to create a positive climate for a visit to Bonn by the East German head of state, Erich Honecker, from Sept.

the Pershing dispute. The Social Democrats have

right coalition. cratic proposal was aimed at un-

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In the Archetypal Slum, Promises but No Solutions By Margor Homblower

Washington Past Service
NEW YORK — New Yorkers remember how the South Bronx became the most famous slum in America. On Oct. 5, 1977, President Jimmy Carter stood on the scorched earth of Charlotte Street, dismayed at the desolation, and promised to try to "turn it around." The president drove through miles of burned-out tene-

ments and deserts of rubble, while black and Hispanic men called from the sidewalks, "We want jobs!" and "Give us полсу! Soon afterward Mother Teresa paid a visit, as if to show

that the United States, too, had its Calcutta. During the World Series cameras spanned beyond the bleachers of Yankee Stadium to the billowing clouds of smoke as the television announcer Howard Cosell intoned. "The Bronx is burning."

Bus loads of politicians, policy-makers, travelers from as

far as Japan and Norway — even the Bolshoi Ballet — followed, curious to see, as Senator Daniel P. Moynihan of New York later put it, "an Armageddon collapse that, I do not believe, has its equal in the history of urbanization." In the next few years Pope John Paul II and Ronald Reagan made pilgrimages. Charlotte Street had become an

obligatory backdrop for aspiring candidates. The New York Times editorialized that a visit to the South Bronz was "as crucial to the understanding of American urban life as a visit to Auschwitz is to understanding Na-

Hollywood filmed a drama about the South Bronx's 41st. Precinct, "Fort Apache, the Bronx." It started Paul Newman, Ed Asner and hordes of extras playing junkies, prostiintes, gang members and revolutionaries.

But for all the spotlight's glare, the South Bronx - an 8.5square-mile (22-square-kilometer) city-within-a-city --- has hardly changed since President Carter's visit.

Reagan's visit his administration cut federal housing pro-shopping bags for recycling.

Shopping bags for recycling.

Rusting, disemboweled cars sit beside mounds of garbage. grams nationwide. The city government, recovering from near-bankruptcy and mired in corruption, focused on the

Ten years later, the South Bronx remains ground zero of ened by fire, blocked with cement, nailed shut with plywood. American urban policy, a paradigm of a ghetto. It is a case study of what has happened in inner cities across the

country, only here on a grander scale, belitting the nation's Between 1977 and 1985, the latest year for which figures are available, the proportion of the city's population living in

poverty grew from 18.5 percent to 24 percent. New York, New York

South Bronx, Symbol of City's Decline

Second of three articles

"In New York, you have dizzying amounts of wealth living cheek by jowl with sickening levels of poverty," said Felix G. Rohatyn, chairman of the Municipal Assistance Corp., which led the city out of its fiscal crisis in the late 1970s. "But because of our brush with bankruptcy, the city no longer has any illusions about the ability of government

to solve all the problems of poverty."

The South Bronx, once a stronghold of Jews, Irish and Italians, is now nearly 95 percent minority - about evenly split between blacks and Puerto Ricans.

Walk through the vast twilight zone of the South Bronx: misery assaults you. Subway stations reek of urine.

A layer of grime and graffiti seems to cover every surface. Men, able-bodied, wander from corner to corner, some-

uncollected for days.

Everywhere there are haunting windows: windows blackscarred with jagged glass. There are - surprise - even some with pretty turquoise-

and-white shutters and flowering plants, Sadly, as you approach, the prosperity turns out to be a mirage: The city has affixed painted vinyl decals in the window frames of hundreds of abandoned buildings to disguise the blight, because funds are not available for repair. In the fires, 100,000 units of housing were lost. The

neighborhoods, where people once slept in shifts because of overcrowding, emptied out. More than 300,000 people fled between 1970 and 1980. Now the fires have largely been banked: After the legisla-

ture passed a law delaying insurance payments for suspicious blazes, landlords found that arson no longer paid. Today, owing hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes, they merely walk away from buildings filled with welfare tenants, leaving the city as owner of 1,603 dilapidated South Bronx tenements, a pattern repeated in Harlem and poor

The South Bronx landscape remains an eene chessboard where single buildings stand forforn amid empty lots and charred hulks of abandoned five-story walk-ups. Although as many as 25,000 apartments have been built or renovated with city and federal funds in the last decade, the demand is parely denied.

Theories abound as to why the South Bronx degenerated from merely a poor neighborhood, as it was in the 1960s, to a spreading disaster area by the mid-1970s.

A major factor was the flight of the manufacturing jobs, See NEW YORK, Page 5

Titanic Stirs Up Waves Salvagers to Unveil Artifacts on TV

By Ken Ringle Washington Post Service

NEW YORK - Amid renewed talk of "grave robbing" and "exploitation." leaders of an expedition to the wreck of the Titanic have confirmed plans to have the actor Telly Savalas unveil their recovered artifacts in a globally broadcast television "docutainment" from Monte Carlo.

They also revealed Tuesday that their French-based international venture is financed largely by North American money, much of it emanating from a retired BMW dealer in Greenwich, Connecticut. Robert Chappaz, chairman and managing director of the Parisbased Taurus International offshore operations firm, said that the 70day salvage effort has been in preparation for nearly two years but that it solidified its financial base only in the past few weeks. Mr. Chappaz made his disclosure after a sometimes fractious press

conference to stem mounting criticism of the expedition.

The Titanic sank April 15, 1912, after hitting an iceberg on its maiden voyage, from Southampton, England, to New York. Survivors and relatives of the more than 1,500 who died have urged that the wreck be left undisturbed as a memorial to those who went down with

Mr. Chappaz and other expedition spokesmen, however, insist that they are treating both the wreck and its artifacts with reverence and respect, merely retrieving poignant bits of history to be displayed so that people can see and learn from them.

"We've got a ship that's been trying to get to New York for 75 years." said George Tulloch, the former BMW salesman who is managing director of a partnership called Oceanic Research & Exploration Ltd. "We just want to help it do so."

He and other speakers emphasized repeatedly that no Titanic artifacts would be sold.

They said that the artifacts would be scientifically preserved and

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The official Soviet news agency

The Soviet Union had said previ-

Pershings were destroyed.

The Pershings are in the category

viewed as too rightist,

7-11. the government sources said.

Mr. Kohi was under pressure from Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and from the opposition Social Democrats to resolve

called a special session of the Bundestag for Sept. 2 to discuss the Pershings, and the parliamentary debate had threatened to expose strains within Mr. Kohl's center-In particular, the Social Demo-

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By Barbara Crossette

New York Times Service HUE, Vietnam - On the narrow, green coastal plain that winds north from Da Nang to the 17th parallel, once the dividing line between two Vietnams, war stories are told not by soldiers alone.

Some of the fiercest fighting of the "American war" took place in Hue, and every adult is, to one degree or another, a veteran: the 50-year-old Buddhist monk in his vegetarian kitchen; the poet, an aristocratic woman of 78, tending her orchards; the young man, barely 30, who sailed away in a rickety boat 10 years ago and has come back to embrace the parents who suffered because of his choice, and the former soldier from Hanoi, still heartbroken by the loss of his first love, who married another while he

In early 1968, at the time of Tel, the lunar new year, Hue and Da Nang were for a time at the center of a fierce offensive, a campaign that is now regarded as an attempt by Hanoi to capture the northern cities in what was then South Viet-

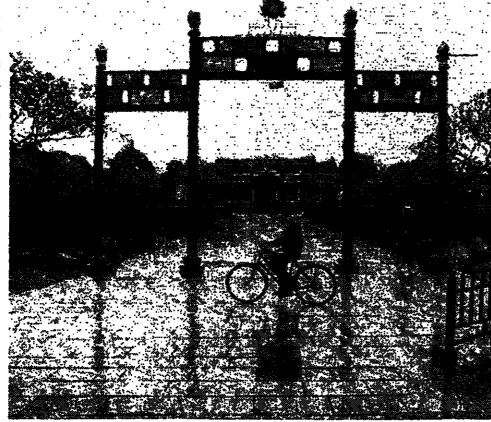
The former North Vietnamese soldier, now living in Hue, and others say troops had been sent into the area in 1967 to prepare for the campaign. Hue seemed ready to

American and South Vietnamese troops dislodged the Communist forces in more than a month of heavy fighting, and Hue and Da Nang remained in Saigon's hands until the war ended in 1975.

Residents of Hue are unexpectedly neutral when speaking with an American about the events of 1968. of the city across the Perfume Riv-Outside and occasionally inside er, the Hue Central Hospital, and The young man returning from a Outside and occasionally inside government offices, the battles are called simply "the war," not the standard "American war of aggres-

A government official in a coastal town south of Hue said people understood that many Americans had come to Vietnam to fight for something they believed in. Some-times, the Vietnamese seemed to be blaming Americans less for what happened in Vietnam than Ameri-

A provincial official in Hue, re-



Cyclists in Hue on the grounds of the former imperial palace, now fully restored.

history, told a visitor that "nothing defusing or stumbling on unex- nist orthodoxy. Those policies have was added in the 30 years of the ploded ordnance. Thousands of now been abandoned. puppet regime." But townspeople pointed to the American-built discovered, he added. roads, the bridge linking two halves the Huong Giang Hotel, once new life in the West - under Ha- said. American officers' quarters and noi's recently relaxed attitude tonow the focus of the city's plan to ward refugees who want to visit angry — You have no idea what build a tourist industry.

exact a deadly toll, said Nguyen and buildings. It had altered the called. Dinh Ngo, the lieutenant governor psychology of the people he re- In the garden of a spacious riverof Binh Tri Thien Province, of which Hue is the capital.

in the province someone is getting

bombs and mines have yet to be He said that 230,000 people have

The young man returning from a The Tet campaign continues to had an effect on more than bodies can't tell me what to do," he re-

Mr. Ngo said 4,000 to 5,000 peo- the south as Hanoi tried to "break

This young man said that on this trip, for the first time in his life, he a widely publicized act that quarreled with his mother. He had brought world attention to Vietchided her for behaving uncharitably to members of the family, he

"She said to me — and she was home and family - said the war life has been like here, and you

Binh Tri Thien Province, of membered, he said.

Side family compound; Nguyen in the view of this emigrant, who Dinh Chi took a different view.

"Even this very minute, while we did not want to be identified, the Tong Chi, the pen-name by which are sitting here talking, somewhere problems arose from divided fam- she is known, said that little has ily sympathies in wartime and from changed in Hue except that the the steep postwar economic slide in Vietnamese people are finally free. said. "I have heard there are many She was the wife of a mandarin counting the city's architectural ple have died in peacetime while the machine" and impose Commu- in Hue in the court of the last kings would like to visit them one day."

Mr. Carlucci and Mr. Baker are

On arms control, Mr. Shultz lost

most of the key battles over what

stance the United States should

take on long-range arms, anti-mis-

his visit in Moscow in April, ac-

cording to officials throughout the

has taken the lead in the largely

stalled diplomatic efforts in the

Middle East by among other things, sending his executive assis-

tant. M. Charles Hill, to Israel to

discuss steps toward a peace con-

ference. Officials said Mr. Shultz

also shared the administration's en-

thusiasm for its program to reregis

ter Kuwaiti tankers under the

sought to play down the differences and Mr. Carlucci declined to com-

ment on the debate, as did Mr.

But one former official who is

"Carlucci felt very embattled

Mr. Carlucci and his staff have

American flag.

But officials say that Mr. Shultz

Central America.

of Vietnam. She was among those who made the decision after 1968 to join the rebellion against Saigon and the Americans. After the end of the war, she came back to her family home and began to turn its orchards into a sustaining business.

This year, she spent six months in France, visiting relatives. She hopes to visit Boston, where a sister lives, but that will have to wait until diplomatic relations are established between Hanoi and Washington,

At the 17th-century Bao Quoc pagoda and monastery, the abbot, the Venerable Duc Thanh, recalled the American era kaleidoscopical-

destroyed by American bombing, he said. He avoided the question of why this happened.

At another pagoda, someone said matter-of-facily: "The VC were there, and who could tell the

Hundreds, possibly thousands, of people were reported killed by Communist forces during the Tet offensive because they refused to cooperate, or had been singled out earlier as potential obstructions. Vietnamese officials deny the charge, or refuse to discuss it, as do ordinary Vietnamese, who say only: "The people know what hap-

Many of Hue's Buddhist temples became part of the war, by choice or circumstance. It was from the Thien Mu Pagoda that the monk Thich Quang Duc went south to set fire to himself on a Saigon street nam in 1963.

The car in which the monk was driven is now up on blocks at the pagoda, on permanent display, complete with a picture of the im-

molation. On the other hand, the Venerable Duc Thanh, whose monastery is famous for its vegetarian kitchen, orchids and bonsai trees, recalled how young American soldiers came to his temple to learn Zen Bud-

"They were good people," he Zen temples in America now, and I



A novice monk at one of the Buddhist pagodas in Hue.

the exploitation of it." He added

that this exploitation could only

"heighten tensions" in New Cale

donia and encourage the unleash-

ing of passions that would "hurt

France's image in a region where it

was slowly being restored from the namage caused by certain incidents

French commentators said Mr.

Chirac was referring in part to the

decision by the French secret ser-

vices, under the previous Socialist

government of Laurent Pabius, to

It was not the first time that the

Socialist president has criticized

Mr. Chirac's New Caledonia poli-

cies in the uneasy power-sharing

arrangement that has existed since

Mr. Chirac's government came to

power in March 1986. In February,

Mr. Mitterrand criticized the refer-

endum on the ground that it would

heighten tensions and do little to

reconcile the Kanak minority with

the rest of New Caledonia's popu-

Mr. Chirac condemned Austra-

lia and New Zealand on Wednes-

in criticizing French control of

New Caledonia, and accused them

of seeking to destabilize French

overseas territories, Agence

France-Presse reported from Arles,

land "for historical and political

reasons have contested the pres-

ence of France in the region for a

long time and are conducting

Mr. Chirac said Australia and

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He said Australia and New Zea-

day for their "shocking hypocrisy"

■ Chirac Assails Region

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WORLD BRIEFS

Chad Is Planning Offensive. U.S. Says WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. Defense Depurifical principles in launch and instruction that the Depurificant Principles of the asserted that President Hissene Habre of Chad is propagate to launch an offensive to push the remaining Libyan troops from his country despite

The attack is expected in the coming weeks and will be directed against the Acuzou air base, which straddles the Chad-Libva border and where the Libvans maintain an estimated 3,000 to 4,000 troops, the officials said.

Since January, Mr. Habre has taken the offensive against the Libyan presence in the northern half of Chad, routing most of the Libyans in several major battles in March.

Police Break Up Protest in Panama

PANAMA CITY (AP) - Riot policemen have broken up an antigovernment protest by University of Panama students for a second day, slightly wounding six persons with bird shot.

Before the police action, the students burned garbage and government.

cars on Monday and Tuesday to block entrances to the main campus. which has been a center of protests against the military-backed govern-ment and against General Manuel Antonio Noriega, head of the National

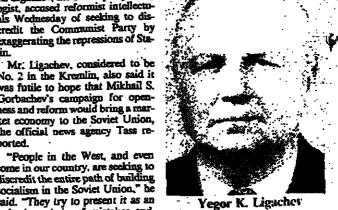
At least 500 lawyers and law students marched to the Supreme Court building on Tuesday to protest what they called judicial disregard for human rights since the protests began in early June.

Soviet Ideologist Assails Reformists

MOSCOW (Reuters) - Yegor K. Ligachev, the Soviet party ideologist, accused reformist intellectu-als Wednesday of seeking to dis-credit the Communist Party by exaggerating the repressions of Sta-

No. 2 in the Kremlin, also said it was futile to hope that Mikhail S. Gorbachev's campaign for open-ness and reform would bring a market economy to the Soviet Union, the official news agency Tass re-"People in the West, and even

some in our country, are seeking to discredit the entire path of building socialism in the Soviet Union," he said. They try to present it as an unbroken chain of mistakes and, using the facts of unjustified re- He was addressing teachers in the pressions, overshadow the accomplishment of the people, who have about 40 miles (60 kilometers) east created a mighty socialist power." of Moscow.



industrial town of Elektrostal.

U.S. Farm Crisis Seems to Be Easing

WASHINGTON (AP) - The land taken over by banks and other lenders from farmers unable to repay loans is estimated at more than 7.98 million acres (about 3 million hectares), valued at \$3.81 billion, an

Agriculture Department analysis showed.

"Lender holdings are still increasing, but at a slower rate," the report said. "They have not peaked, but the credit crunch of the 1980s appears to

Although farmland prices have strengthened after declining by a third nationally in the last five years, the report said no land boom is in sight. A large supply of farmland is on the market, preventing a rapid recovery, it said. The report, prepared by the Economic Research Service, was made public Wednesday.

For the Record

Nigeria's military government lifted a ban Wednesday that was imposed in April on the country's leading newsmagazine, Newswatch, after it. published excerpts from a report by a panel recommending the institution of democracy. Thirty-one Mozambican refugees have died on an electric fence erected

along South Africa's border with its eastern neighbor. Defense Minister Magnus Malan told:the South African Parliament on Wednesday. He also said four persons have died on a similar fence along the northern border with Zimbabwe.

Mozambique's Rezamo rebels bave killed 45 civilians in a raid in central Sofala Province, according to an army official in Maputo. It was the latest in a series of massacres blamed on Renamo, the Portuguese acronym for the Mozambican National Resistance, which Maputo claims blow up the Rainbow Warrior, a is backed by South Africa.

boat that was in New Zealand on The Israeli Health Ministry has issued emergency regulations requiring its way to protest French nuclear all prostitutes to be tested for exposure to AIDS every six months, the

TRAVEL UPDATE

The Scandinavian sirline SAS strongly protested Wednesday against a Danish decision to allow Sterling Airways, one of the world's biggest charter lines, to fly regular charters to Canada. It now flies there on a case-by-case basis. (AFP)

A Piedmont Airlines flight to Washington, D.C., with 87 people aboard made an emergency landing Tuesday at Bridgeport, West Virginia, because of a fire caused by an 11-year-old boy smoking in a toilet. There were no injuries, but the flight was delayed for three hours.

(UPI)

Correction

An item in the People column in Tuesday's editions should have said that the bost of a dinner given in honor of Mstislav Rostropovich, the violoncellist, after a concert in Athens was Orestes Varvitsiotes, the executive vice president of Prudential Bache Securities, Greece, SA.

MANILA: Strike Movement Widens

(Continued from Page 1) urban centers in the southern Luzon region of Bicol.

Newspaper commentators have written that the price increase has threatened to erode the president's popularity, and analysts said she had shown insensitivity in failing publicly to announce and explain

Mrs. Aquino finally appeared on nationwide television Tuesday to announce a reduction on duties for imported oil from 20 per cent to 15 'le percent and to recommend that the Energy Regulatory Board cut prices for consumers.

She said additional oil subsidies would be sought through the national lottery.

The chairman of the board, Pon-

ciano Mathay, immediately announced the reductions, to take effect Wednesday, but prices for gasoline, kerosene and other petroleum products remain somewhat higher than they were before Aug.

A spokesman for the Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company said that 65 percent of its 12,000 employees failed to report to work. either because they supported the protest or because they were

stranded by transport strikes. At Manula International Airport. traffic was reported to be normal after supervisors ordered employees to spend the night there. ■ Reports of Violence

Witnesses, including foreign journalists, said a man and two women were wounded when the police fired on protesters in Bacoor, about 10 miles (16 kilometera) south of Manila, The Associated Press reported. A fourth. person, a woman, was struck in the

head with a club, they said. The provincial commander, Colonel Cesar Garcia, denied that troops opened fire, He contended that two women and a soldier were. seriously injured when bombs held

by protesters exploded. The Far East Network, which broadcasts to the 40,000-member-American military community,

urged U.S. troops and their dependents to avoid travel to Manila.

SHULTZ: Despite Reagan's Steps on Security, Tensions With Carlucci Persist

over American policy toward Cen- itive working relationship which the national security adviser should power, and how policy is to be agencies." made and implemented, rather than on policy differences.

partment spokeswoman, said: have been in their relationship have Secretary Shultz does not offer now been overcome." comments pertaining to his relation that Mr. Shultz's general views

tral America and arms control, the exists between the NSC and the be the principal foreign policy addebate is said to center primarily Department of State, as well as the viser to the president, stressing that on the question of jurisdiction, relationship with other government the reins of power should be in the

One White House official, who nior officials who have been nomiasked not to be identified, insisted nated and confirmed by the Senate.

Many State Department and cials. That's his policy." She noted agree on one point. They say that with a year and a half remaining in Mr. Reagan's second term, it is Asked about Mr. Carlucci's posi- probably too late for the adminis-

The Background: Limits of Power

The Reagan administration came to power with the view that the power of the National Security Council staff should be limited to avoid the policy clashes that took place with the State Department when Henry A. Kissinger was na-tional security adviser. It has experimented with several different

approaches to making policy.
In keeping with its philosophy of "cabinet government," the administration initially set up three main interagency committees on foreign policy, defense and intelligence. which were headed by the secretary of state, the secretary of defense and the director of central intelli-

These committees did not meet often and some administration officials now dispute their effective-

But as divisions emerged within the administration on arms control and other issues, the National Security Council staff was increasingly thrust into the role of arbiter. Although it later gained notoriety for its role in managing covert

operations in the Iran-contra affair, the National Security Council staff under the four national security advisers who served before Mr. Cariucci had a reputation inside the government for being relatively weak in carrying out its intended role, with the result that policy was often ambiguous.

The disclosure in November of the covert sale of arms to Iran and the transfer of profits to the Nicaraguan rebeis, and the subsequent resignation of Rear Admiral John M. Poindexter as national security adviser, reopened the question of what role the National Security Council staff should play.
But White House officials moved

to block Mr. Shultz from moving in to fill the policy vacuum. Donald T. Regan, then the White House chief of staff, drafted a "master plan" in November after the initial disclosure of the covert sale of arms to fran that sought to limit Mr.

Shultz's influence. Find replacement for John Poindexter, as soon as possible," wrote Mr. Regan in the plan, which was made public last month by the congressional committee investi-



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tion, a White House spokesman, tration to change its way of doing Dan Howard, said, "The president business. gating the Iran-contra affair.

> will then be an outpost of State Denartment' Mr. Reagan later asked the Towsion to review the operaer commiss tions of the National Security Council and later publicly embraced the board's recommendations, which put the National Secu-

He will put in his person and then

return operation to White House. It

rity Council, and not the State Department, at the heart of the Drocess. As the decision-making structure vorks now, the president continues to head meetings of the National Security Planning Group, which includes the statutory members of the National Security Council — the president, the vice president, the

of defense — and other cabinet officers and senior officials. A special high-level interdepartlished, which is headed by Mr. Carlucci. But it has not met often.

Mr. Carlucci's deputy. General

secretary of state and the secretary

Colin Powell, heads policy review groups that are convened to deliberate on pressing policy issues. On arms control questions, key decisions are reviewed by the Senior Arms Control Group, which is headed by Mr. Carlucci or General Powell. Administration officials say that the process is more effi-

um is still placed on achieving con-But Mr. Shultz said the system was flawed when he appeared last month before the congressional Iran-contra committees. He has also made this point in private, of-

cient than before but that a premi-

ficials say. In his public testimony, Mr. Shultz said he strongly disagreed with the recommendation by the Tower commission to put "the Na-tional Security Council staff at the center of the process" and asserted that the chairmanships of important interdepartmental bodies should be held by officials from the State Department, the Defense Department and other government

agencies as appropriate. Administration officials say he claborated on these views in private meetings with Mr. Reagan, the White House chief of staff, Howard H. Baker Jr., Mr. Carlucci and other officials.

One official said, for example, that Mr. Shultz had suggested that the chairmanship of the policy review group be rotated among government agencies depending on the subject at hand and not be led by General Powell.

Mr. Shultz also said he disagreed

has complete confidence in the pos- with the view of some experts that where the size it is now." A White House official said the size of the council has grown slightly since Mr. Carlucci took office. The National Security Council now has a hands of accountable people," se- professional staff of 67, compared with 62 in November.

"I think there should be a rear-Phyllis E. Oakley, a State De- that "whatever differences there The national security adviser is not rangement of things that emphasizes the importance of cabinet subject to Senate confirmation. For good measure, Mr. Shultz government," said Mr Shultz, who added that the National Security added that this "would necessitate For good measure, Mr. Shultz with other U.S. government offi- White House officials appear in Council staff "should not be any- some smitting around."

Policies at Odds: Recent Examples

Mr. Shultz sought in his public can nations and send Mr. Habib to comments to describe his differ- countries in the region, including government responded that the Soences as philosophical and praised Nicaragua, for talks, State Depart-Mr. Carlucci and other White ment officials say. House officials as "outstanding." But a knowledgeable administra- said to have opposed this idea. Afnon official said the comments fol lowed differences between Mr. Habib, who worked out of the State they support independence. Warn president that George Shultz and Mr. Carlucci that Department, resigned as the ad-Shultz may 'suggest' he take over strained relations between them both agencies on a temporary basis. over the role of the National Secu-

rity Council Mr. Shultz's remarks reflect his "deep frustration at excessive NSC activism in the implementation of policy," this administration official

A State Department official said Mr. Shultz opposed Mr. Carlucci's trip to Europe earlier this month. By carrying out such missions and meeting with foreign ambassadors, another administration official said, the council's staff was raising the possibility that the administration would not be "speak-ing with one voice and could be

sending different messages." Even though Mr. Shultz's objections are said to have focused primarily on issues of jurisdiction and authority. Mr. Shultz has also had some differences over policy deciand arms control, the two foreign policy areas that Mr. Reagan re- Shultz. cently said he wanted to concen-

trate on for the remainder of his

Even some mid-level State Depart-ment officials do not share them,

saying that Mr. Carlucci is an effi-

cient and fair manager.

Supporters of Mr. Carlucci's po-

sition say he must play an active role to help bridge the deep differ-

ences between Mr. Shultz and Ca-

spar W. Weinberger and to insure that senior administration officials

do not try to set presidential policy

unilaterally through their public

A case in point is the administra-

tion's program for the Strategic

Defense Initiative, known as "star

wars." Mr. Shultz said last spring

that the United States would not

decide whether to deploy an anti-

missile defense for two years and

that his remarks reflected the presi-

part, an effort to balance com-

ments by Mr. Weinberger, who has

said that Mr. Reagan has made up

his mind that such systems should

be deployed. Asked later about Mr.

Shultz's comments. Mr. Carlucci

described them as "speculation"

that went beyond the president's

Mr. Shultz's remarks were, in

dent's thinking on the issue.

and private pronouncements.

close to Mr. Carlucci said the national security adviser was dis-On Central America, Mr. Shultz turbed by Mr. Shultz's testimony. strongly supported Philip C. Ha-bib's proposal that the United States quickly embrace the peace plan put forward in Guatemala by the leaders of five Central Ameri-

and thought Shultz was out to curb the NSC. said the former official. who talked with Mr. Carlucci shortly after Mr. Shultz testified. Carlucci Support: White House View Mr. Shultz's criticisms of the decision-making system staff are rejected by White House officials. "When you have strong cabinet officials with different institutional interests, you need the NSC as an

> Most agencies would rather have the NSC in the chair than an op-posing agency. You need the NSC staff to deal with cross-cutting issues." This official cited the export of sensitive technology to the Soviet Union by the Toshiba Machine Co. as a case in point. The administra-

tion review of this issue involved

Defense Department, Commerce

honest broker," said one official,

Department and State Department While the administration was less divided than usual because the breach was considered so severe, there were splits among the agencies, with the Pentagon taking a harder line. Mr. Carlucci crafted a unified position, rejecting congressional sanctions but putting pres-

SUITE OR Japan.

Defenders of Mr. Carlucci also streets with about 3,000 Daewoo deny that he is playing too active a employees demanding higher pay role. "Frank is playing it straight, said one White House official. "He is not trying to run everything like Henry Kissinger or going behind their backs."

New Caledonia Sets Off Mitterrand-Chirac Flap en to such an ordinary event and by

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service

PARIS - President François Mitterrand of France sparked a dispute Wednesday when he criticized the conservative government of Prime Minister Jacques Chirac over the way it handled a demonstration in New Caledonia, where the police clubbed dozens of demonstrators urging independence for the French colony. Mr. Chirac and members of his

cialists were trying to exploit the incident on Saturday, which occurred three weeks before the residents of the Pacific archipelago are to vote in a referendum on whether "How can we not be sensitive to

ministration's special envoy to the images of brutality that were aired and even more by the reality that they express?" the Socialist president said after meeting with the prime minister on Wednesday. "Nothing is worse than a chain sile systems and nuclear testing on reaction of violence." Many in France were shocked to

see television images of the police using truncheons and tear gas to break up a peaceful sit-in of 300 demonstrators from the Kanak Socialist National Liberation Front. The French government has banned demonstrations until after the referendum on Sept. 13. The Kanak front, the main sena-

ratist group, has called for a boycott of the referendum, which is expected to result in a vote against ndependence. The Kanaks are native New Caledonians and represent 43 percent of the archipelago's 140,000 residents while French settlers and others form a majority.

The Kanak organization said 23 demonstrators were injured in the demonstration. French officials said that no one was injured, and number of injured at about 10.

zation" in the French colony. independent witnesses put the New Zealand should remember their dealines with natives in their For his part, Mr. Chirac said he _ countries, the Aborigines and Mao-

was "shocked by the attention giv- ris. A Korea Dispute Settled; Workers to Release Body

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
SEOUL — Striking shipyard details of Mr. Lee's funeral, the workers who have been holding the Korea Broadcasting System said. Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches al, the state-run radio said.

off between workers and been the likely cause of death. management at Daewoo Shipbuild-Koje Island, 210 miles (340 kilometers) south of the capital.

However, the workers said a funeral for Lee Sok Kyu, 21, would be held Friday, leaving open the possibility of further clashes with not police like the one Saturday in which Mr. Lee was killed Mr. Lee's co-workers said he was killed when he was hit by a police

tear gas shell after taking to the

and better working conditions. The workers agreed Wednesday accept a \$56-a-month raise, Their wages now range from \$142

body of a slain co-worker to rein- Mr. Lee's death, which came in force their wage demands settled a the midst of widespread labor consalary dispute Wednesday and flict in South Korea, nad threatagreed to release the body for buri- ened to inflame an already tense situation because doctors found The agreement, and a govern- that metal fragments had pierced ment apology for the death, appar- his lung and liver. They said an ently defused a tense, 19-day stand- exploding tear gas grenade had

Prime Minister Kim Chung Yul ing & Heavy Machinery Ltd. on warned political dissidents Wednesday that interference in funeral arrangements for Mr. Lee would not be tolerated. "I am deeply saddened that a

worker died in the course of police efforts to put down a labor protest," Mr. Kim said. "Outside interference in the funeral arrangements cannot be tolerated because it makes settlement difficult and causes uneasiness and inconveniences for Koie residents."

About 150 dissidents, including members of the National Coalition for a Democratic Constitution, which organized violent anti-government protests across the coun-



Yang Dong Send, a union leader at the Daewoo shipyard in South Korea, where a wage agreement was reached Wednesday.

try in June, were in Koje advising the protesters. The coalition earlier demanded

the resignation of the government because of Mr. Lee's death. Union leaders made similar demands.

(UPI, Reuters)



Aide Asserts Casey Circumvented the CIA

He Backed Use of White House Operatives on Iran Arms Sale, Congress Is Told

By Stephen Engelberg

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New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The CIA's senior operations officer has told congressional committees that Wiliiam J. Casey, while head of the agency, overrode his objections to the brokers and operatives chosen by the White House for the secret arms dealings with Iran.

The CIA deputy director for operations, Clair George, said in testimony earlier this month before the committees investigating the Iran-contra affair that Mr. Casey had begun to "wire around," or circumvent, subordinates who were unenthusiastic about the Iran dealings.

Mr. George's testimony was declassified Wednesday by the com-

George's deputies, Alan Fiers, the said he felt any need to correct chief of the CIA's Central America them. Task Force. Mr. Fiers told the panels that he had extensive knowledge of the secret operations to aid the contras but kept silent about it last

October at a House hearing. Mr. Fiers expressed regret that he had not told the legislators what Elliott Abrams, assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs, asserted that there was no U.S. government link to a cargo plane downed over Nicaragua that was owned by the private contra-supply network.

The House hearing in October was also attended by Mr. George. He and Mr. Fiers testified separate The committees made public by that they were taken aback by

vision performance.

al, but by no means unanimous,

consequences of the proliferation

of debates through the rest of 1987

Debates work to counterbal

the costs of television.

meaningless contests.

the media to focus more on issues.

Trade, for example, has become a

results" and hard numbers to

this advantage.

TV Debates in U.S. Alter Tactics of '88 Campaign candidacy of Senator Paul Simon

By Thomas B. Edsall Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The strategy and tactics of the 1988 presidential campaign have been substantially altered by a proliferation of televised debates planned for the

coming months. Among other effects, many election experts say, the debates are likely to counterbalance the advantage held by candidates with the most funds and draw more attention to issues and less to campaign

At least 20 debates have been scheduled for Democratic candidates before March 8, when 20 states will hold primary elections and caucuses. The Republicans nave planned 14 such debates.

These televised tests of the candidates have in large part replaced straw polls, or test votes, at state and local party gatherings.

ance the advantage of money. As The straw polls were a major force in the 1980 contest for the the state primaries and caucuses have become increasingly bunched together early in the campaign Republican nomination and in the year, including the 20 contests on March 8, the advantage has moved 1984 Democratic campaign, but they have been nearly eliminated toward candidates equipped to ov the Democrats and sharply curraise large amounts of money to tailed by the Republicans. build organizations and to finance

"We have very few ways to gauge the candidates," said Harrison Hickman, a Democratic poll taker. Opinion polls, which everyone knows are unreliable at this stage, and money are the only two measures we have other than debates."

On the Democratic side, a televised debate July 1 in Houston has proven to be an important event for two candidates, raising questions about former Governor Brace Babbit, of Arizona and enhancing the

Bush Agrees To Take Part In TV Debate

WASHINGTON - Vice Preside a veorge Bush, criticized by other Republican presidential candidates for refusing to join them in a national television debate Oct. 28, has decided to take part, according to his aides.

The debate, on the public network's "Firing Line" program, would be the first in which Mr. Bush, the party's front-runner for the nomination, would participate. issue became the focal point of a Other debates have been held with dispute between two of the Demoout him, and more are scheduled before Oct. 28.

Mr. Bush's aides had said that he did not want to participate because Gephardt of Missouri Oct. 28 was too early. Mr. Bush is expected to announce his candida-cy for the nomination in October, Tully, who worked in Walter F. of senior administration officials from the Pentagon and State Debut has not set a date.

He announced Tuesday in San Antonio that he would take part in 1984 prompted Mr. Mondale to not to talk so much. the debate after discussing it with employ a strategy of "winning ev-

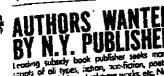
1! know there has been consider-Line' debate," Mr. Bush said in a sources statement. "I have been invited to participate in the debate by the sponsors who want to hold it in Houston and, while I have already step-by-step building of an organiaccepted five debates, I am ready to zation while talking to large audiaccept a sixth."

His campaign manager. Lee Atwater, said: "He allowed us to iry to negotiate and get dates that high-technology systems that can suited the campaign better, but it provide the media with immediate suited the campaign better, but it was his sense that the negotiations were stalled and he wanted to go ahead and let it be known he would the debate in Houston, for exdebate regardless of the date, and ample, was broadcast on a large he looks forward to it."

Israeli Heart Transplant Has Approval of Rabbis

The Assecuted Press JERUSALEM - Israeli doctors judge each candidate on his persuaon Wednesday performed the first siveness, intelligence, knowledge heart transplant since the country's and a number of other factors. chief rabbis ruled in October that It was this process, and the wide The operation does not violate jewish and a nospital spokeswoman pounded the damage of the debate

Ovadis Masri 50, who received benefits to Mr. Simon. the leart of an unidentified youth, as in stable condition after the ve-hour operation at Jerusalem's dudassah Hospital, the spokescoman said. Two other heart transtants have been performed in Israin 1968 and 1977, without approval of the rabbinate.



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Tuesday testimony by one of Mr. Mr. Abrams's remarks. Neither memo by an aide to the Iran-contra

"I could have been more forthcoming to the committee." Mr. Fiers said of the committee session last year, "but frankly, I was not going to be the first person to step up and do that. You may call that a cowardly decision, some may call at he knew at the hearing, at which a brave decision; it is a controversial decision. But so long as others who knew the details as much as were keeping their silence on this, I was going to keep my silence." At the same hearing last year,

Mr. George said the CIA had no role in the Nicaragua arms flights. He told the Iran-contra commit-

tees that he intended to say that the agency had no unauthorized role and that he believed the CIA was illowed to share intelligence with the supply network. Testimony before the committees has disclosed that the CIA station chief in Costa Rica helped the supply operation by providing intelligence. In his comments on the Iran op-eration, Mr. George told the Iran-

contra committees on Aug. 5 and 6 that he believed that he was "playing the fool" in raising questions Mr. Babbitt and his aides have about both Manucher Ghorbanifar, the Iranian middleman, and acknowledged that his performance in Houston was a setback. Major General Richard V. Secord. They have set time aside almost a retired air force officer who ar-daily to evaluate and practice teleshipments to Iran.

Another ClA official, Duane The strong liberal positions that Mr. Simon took on Nicaragua, tax(Dewey) Clarridge, has told Cones and education during the debate gress that Mr. Casey would have in Houston are widely believed to preferred to rely only on the CIA to have boosted his level of support in run the Iran dealings but that he Iowa, where the debate received felt its operatives would not go

along.

Mr. George's testimony supports

he suggested extensive publicity.
Interviews with party and campaign strategists produced a gener-that contention, and he suggested that Mr. Casey and President Ronald Reagan had allowed their emoagreement on a number of likely tions about hostages held in the Middle East to overcome their iudgment. and into 1988. They include the Mr. George said that when he

learned Mr. Ghorbanifar was the only intermediary for dealings with Iran, he went to Mr. Casey and "did something I rarely did with "I said: Bill, I am not going to

run this guy anymore, which means in our language 'I will not handle him; he is a burn."

Mr. George was also asked whether he had traveled to Central America and had told agency oper-But debates can counterbalance atives to cover up their role in assisting the contras. He denied do-The debates are good for the ing this and said it had been a underdog," said Charles Black. "puzzlement" for him to learn that campaign manager for Representa-tive Jack F. Kemp, Republican of the agency's operatives in 1986 were engaged in flying supplies to New York. "It provides exposure. the contras on the Nicaraguan bor-They are a big part of our strategy der in Honduras by helicopter.

for getting Jack known nationally. He also denied telling Joseph David Keene, a consultant to Fernandez, the CIA station chief in Senator Bob Dole, Republican of Costa Rica who passed informa-Kansas, agreed: "Regardless of a candidate's organization or money, tion to the supply network, to limit his testimony to the Tower Comhe's at the same level as the other mission, the presidential panel that guys," he said. "It obviously helps someone not in the front ranks." investigated the Iran-contra affair.

Mr. Fernandez, has been de-• The debates are drawing more scribed as an essential element in attention to the issues. The earlier the supply network because he emphasis on straw polls forced mepassed intelligence and messages between Lieutenant Colonel Oliver dia attention on questions of organization, money and tactical ma-North and the contras nenvers. Candidates spent from

Mr. Fiers also told the Iran-con-\$75,000 to \$250,000 to mobilize tra committees on Aug. 5 that: supporters at state conventions to • As late as last November, the constrate the strength of their CIA was soliciting money for the campaigns by winning the largety contras from an unnamed foreign country. The approach was made But debates already have forced after Congress had approved a \$100 million contra aid package, and the differences among candibecause the agency believed it dates on these issues, as well as on needed \$8 million to \$10 million television style and mannerisms.

more. The CIA intended to inform

legislators if any money was given. central issue in the contest. After the debate in Houston, the trade he said. By the spring of 1986, he had a "pretty clear understanding" of what Colonel North was doing to cratic candidates, Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts support the Nicaraguan rebels. He and Representative Richard A. noted that Colonel North passed out photographs of a secret airstrip • With the proliferation of de- in Costa Rica to a "whole gaggle Mondale's 1984 campaign, noted partment. "I told Ollie, You ought that the straw polls in 1983 and to keep your mouth shut, you ought

• The CIA found out about the erything everywhere, and to bleed down other potential competitors contra aid network directed by Colonel North and even had reable discussion about the Firing so they would have fewer rechases for the contras as they happened. One CIA cable from March But Mr. Tully said that this year, with the large number of debates, "there is the ability to continue the 1985, released by the committee Tuesday, noted that General Secord was buying arms through a Canadian broker who quoted him as saying that U.S. authorities would not stop the shipment be-• The role of debates may be cause "he was one of them." magnified by the application of

• The agency had information that aides to Edén Pastora Gómez. a contra leader eventually abandoned by the CIA, were heavily involved in drug trafficking. A The debate in Houston, for ex-



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committees, released Tuesday and dated July 23, said the panel had been unable to confirm charges that the contras were underwriting their war effort through the sale of • In early 1986, when Congress relaxed its restrictions on aiding the contras, Mr. Fiers acknowledged allowing his field operatives too much leeway in aiding the contras. "I got a little too rambunctions," he said, "like a colt that got

out of the barn to play, and I pulled myself in. I didn ! do it all myself. My task force lawyer was whispering like Jiminy Cricket in my ear. I probably got us a little too far forward-leaning at one point in time and then pulled us back." • The CIA inadvertently hired a veteran of the supply operation as an agency operative. After he was hired, the agency learned of his role and "debriefed him," Mr. Fiers

In his testimony. Mr. Fiers also criticized "partisan politics" in Congress that he said prompted delays in approving contra aid. And he assailed the Reagan administration for leaving him and others "hanging" in November and De-cember when the CIA's links to the private network first became

The failure of Congress to loosen the restrictions, he said, "left me in a continuing exposed situation and that - to this day - sticks in my craw. The reason I am here today is partly because of that."

Senator George J. Mitchell. Democrat of Maine, took sharp issue with Mr. Fiers's remarks, saying during the hearing that it was "demeaning and insulting for you to suggest that those who happen to disagree with you on policy are engaged in partisan politics."
Mr. Fiers said repeatedly that he

believed he had been placed in a nuteracker" between a Congress that set restrictions and an executive branch that demanded he support the contras. Mr. Fiers was asked, as were oth-

er CIA witnesses, whether he believed the testimony of Colonel North that Mr. Casey, the director of central intelligence, knew of and approved the diversion of money from the Iran arms sales to the

'I wouldn't want to bet on it," he

Mr. Fiers told how Mr. Casey called him into his office to dismiss as "preposterous" a rumor that he was terminally ill with cancer. "Do I look like a man with cancer?" he asked Mr. Fiers. Mr. Casey died of brain cancer

in May. At the time he made his comments to Mr. Fiers he was receiving regular treatment for pros-"i walked out of that office that day thinking he didn't have can-

cer," Mr. Fiers recalled.



Rita Lumpkin, aunt of Cecilia Cichan, who survived the Detroit jetliner crash, holding the child's doll in a hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The doll, found in the wreckage, has been given to Cecilia in plastic to prevent infection.

Jet Survivor, 4, Is Told **Parents Died in Crash**

ANN ARBOR, Michigan - An aunt has broken the news to 4-yearold Cecilia Cichan that her parents and brother were killed in the Detroit crash of a Northwest Airlines jet, relatives said.

Cecilia asked what "never again" meant, said Pauline Ciamaichela. the girl's grandmother. "She didn't understand. She'll be asking

The girl is the sole survivor of the Aug. 16 crash, near Detroit Metro-politan Airport. She did not cry after being told Monday night she would never see her parents, Michael and Paula Cichan of Tempe. Arizona, or her 6-year-old brother. David again, her grandmother

Cecilia's aunt. Rita Lumpkin. told the girl the news in her room at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor, Mrs. Lumpkin did not use the words "dead" or "killed." said Anthony Ciamaichela. the child's grandfather.

in an accident, and she would never blocks around the crash site.

ever see them again, ever," he said Family members followed the advice of psychiatrists and psychologists on how to break the news to Cecilia, he said.

Cecilia remained in serious condition Wednesday, said John Turck, a hospital spokesman. The girl underwent skin grafts last week on her burned hands and legs. Meanwhile, a volunteer fire-

fighter who helped find Cecilia in the wreckage has been docked a day's pay by Northwest Airlines. which has accused him of not reporting to work with the airline the night of the crash. Dan Kish, who was the first to

hear the girl's cries the night of the crash, was listed as absent from his Northwest job even though his wife says she notified an airline supervisor that he was working at the

Mr. Kish's union has filed a grievance on his behalf as well as for seven other workers docked for missing work because they were She told her that "they had been unable to get through police road-

To Teach Troops Values daily, many said they had used the Lonetree case and reports that marines guarding the U.S. Embassy in Moscow had consorted with Rus-

sian women as object lessons. When the battalion of Lieutenant Colonei James L. Jones of the marines was in the Philippines last winter, he warned them about talking in bars. He told them. "Men. if you ever wanted to lie to women

Harger, a naval aviator who flie that the armed forces should not be officers also say that they must compensate for what they believe are flaws in American life that keep triot is susceptible to greed."

oping a sense of values.

Without training manuals to guide them, the commanders are esting their own solutions, from informal talks to off-post seminars sailors in trouble are sent to be on ethics to an emphasis on service These are the quitters." she Recent testimony in the Iran-

contra hearings by Lieutenant Colonel Oliver L. North of the marines and Rear Admiral John M. Poindexter of the navy raised questions want to quit again. about military ethics. Colonel North admitted lying to Congress, and Admiral Poindexter, when ac-

She said that the main method for turning them around was to get them to establish goals, small goals at first, such as looking sharp for an inspection, then long-range goals, such as starting a program to gain a promotion in a speciality.

ing Colonel North and Admiral said, "but focus on what you're going to do from now on." At Fort Sill, Oklahoma, every

Poindexter applied largely to the officer corps and not to the enlisted ranks. They said the two officers were operating in a political world that was far distant from the daily routine of training enlisted people. The effort to instill values is esto a state park for a day in which a chaplain leads a discussion of indipecially keen in the marine corps. vidual and group values. On the second day of basic training in San Diego there is a ritual known as "the moment of truth." A ser-geant stands before shorn recruits

in a bleak room and goes over, line by line, information about their lives that they gave to recruiting Colonel Coberly said that he

sergeants. The sergeant asks whether they have held back anything, a police record, drug abuse, homosexuality. traffic violations. Officers said that about half of the recruits admit to something they had not disclosed.

Most are granted waivers and become marines, the officers said, but they said that the experience is a valuable lesson in playing things straight. The army, under Secretary of the

By Richard Halloran

New York Times Service

indoctrinate enlisted personnel

One of the most serious exam-

ples in recent years was the convic-

tion of Sergeant Clayton J. Lone-

cused by a member of the congres-

sional committee of embracing un-

that the ethical questions surround-

But the officers interviewed said

truth, did not deny it.

traditions.

SAN DIEGO - The military

Army John O. Marsh Jr. and General John A. Wicknam Jr., then the chief of staff, declared 1986 "A Year of Values," emphasizing loyalty, selfless service and personal responsibility. In recent conversations with 30 cv ANSA reported.

this is the time to do it. Lieutenant Commander Tommy -14 fighters at the Miramar Naval Air Station near San Diego, said that his squadron, which is often deployed on aircraft carriers, made sure the radar and engine mechanics were made aware of the Soviet military threat because "a weak pa-

Lieutenant Commander Martha E. McWatters is the chief of a correctional unit in San Diego where

said, "the people who quit their religion, quit their schools, quit their jobs. They came into the navy to try something else and now they

We don't rehash mistakes," she

platoon of 40 soldiers in the brigade to which that battalion belongs is taken away from the post

Lieutenant Colonel Theodore R. Coberly, the commander of a training battalion at Fort Sill. said that training," including the Code of Conduct that every soldier must

talked to every training class about "why you are here "

He also emphasized what he called "passive training aids." such as soldiers taking part in retirement parades, ceremonies of changes of command, raising and lowering the flag at post headquarters and having barracks and rifle ranges named for military heros.

Sardinia Loses Electricity

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A Flip-Flop on Inspection

erament is demanding more in the way of 00-site inspection and the American government is demanding less. This marvelously itonic reversal of traditional positions is taking place in the negotiations on a treaty to ban medium- and short-range nuclear missiles — the treaty that is the likeliest candidate to become the Reagan administration's first and perhaps only arms control accord.

On-site verification, as distinguished from verification by "national technical means," has been an American aspiration for even longer than it has been a formal American negotiating demand. It has been seen as a safeguard against Soviet perfidy, and it has become central to the politics of arms control. That the Soviets long resisted on-site inspection, denouncing it as a mask for espionage and as a practice made unnecessary by satellite intelligence, tended to

confirm its value in many American eyes. But it is not simply that Mikhail Gorbachev, with his sudden strong favor for onsite inspection, has now called an American bluff. Officials explain, plausibly, that once the Kremlin agreed to elimination of intermediate-range missiles worldwide, and not just in Europe, the problems of verifying an agreement became simpler. Furthermore, they found that the Kremlin might reap

unacceptable intelligence advantage from "challenge inspections," the particular form of anywhere, anytime verification that the administration has most emphasized.

In fact, paralysis is a predictable result of applying high monitoring standards to reductions of the kinds of arms — small missiles or warheads, for instance, and chemical weapons - that defy such standards. Moreover, inspections of any sort cannot resolve the most common breed of Soviet-American arms control tensions: these flow not from limits on verification but from inadequate treaty texts or from open political deliance - for example, the Soviet rader at Krasnoyarsk.

The reversal in Geneva puts pressure on Ronald Reagan to reassure Americans stirred to wooder whether he is taking unnecessary risks. It will probably be a source of some political embarrassment to a president who had sworn he would write a treaty inscribing comprehensive rights to search for hidden weapons. Still, the embarrassment is evidence of a realistic trend in official thinking. It would be much more than an embarrassment — it would be a scandal - if an American president allowed a particular notion of verification to get in the way of a useful treaty.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Listen to the Dolphins

up on the Atlantic coast between New Jersey and Virginia. This year 200 have died, their skin flaking off and their mouths pocked with ulcers. There have also been huge fish kills in Long Island Sound and Chesapeake Bay. Along much of the coast, bays and estuaries are under severe stress.

No one can yet be sure there is a single cause. Enormous tides of algae and ensuing fish kills are part of nature's cycle. The dolphins may have died from a disease, but a leading suspect for these massacres is pollution. Another factor may be another unusually hot summer, which some authorities fear may herald the predicted global warming known as the greenhouse effect.

Estuaries and bays are rich nurseries of marine life because of the nutrients washed out from the land. Along the Atlantic coast there is now an excess of such nutrients from sewage, agricultural and urban runoff and the nitrogen in acid rain. Algae thrive on these nutrients, and when they die the decay consumes so much oxygen in the water that fish, shrimp and crabs perish.

Since the Clean Water Act of 1972, public authorities and business have spent some \$300 billion to combat pollution. What did

ing an ecological crisis? Industrial pollution has been considerably reduced, and most towns now have secondary sewage treat-ment. Without the Clean Water Act, pollution would be far worse. But the act was amended only last year to address runoff from farms and streets, an important source of nitrogen. Sewage treatment degrades the bacteria that would otherwise consume oxygen, but it leaves untouched the nutrients in

sewage like nitrogen and phosphorus.
The states on Chesapeake Bay agreed this month to reduce by up to 40 percent the amount of nitrogen and phosphorus entering its waters. Studies are under way to see what remedy is required for Long Island Sound, but any plan is likely to be expensive.

More than 70 percent of all fish caught in the United States depend at some point on estuaries. By 1990 more than 75 percent of the U.S. population will live within 50 miles (80 kilometers) of the country's coasts. People will have to change habits to avoid de-stroying fish habitats. The Clean Water Act was only the first step needed to protect once-rich bays and estuaries. To understand the need for more, listen to the dolphins.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Families in a Democracy

the Tennessee schoolbook case, but rather religious tolerance. The schools of Hawkins County, like many throughout America, use a certain series of textbooks to teach reading, and a group of parents objected. Passages in the books offend their religious beliefs, they argued, and expose their children to ideas repugnant to their own couvictions - not only the theory of evolution eat ranc them to have religious significance. That, they said, violates their rights under the First Amendment. Last fall a federal judge agreed, ordering the county schools to excuse those children from reading classes.

Fortunately, the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals has now reversed that decision. The case is one of several involving school curricula and fundamentalist Christians' objections to them that are apparently on their way to the Supreme Court. The appeals court has performed the service of stating the question correctly and returning it to the American constitutional tradition

from the byways into which it had drifted. Most parents will feel a degree of sympathy with the plaintiffs in Hawkins County. Bringing up children requires a family to fight for its own values against the outside world, and it is not only fundamentalist Christians who sometimes find themselves compelled to carry on that struggle with passionate energy. There are clearly limits

Religion has not really been the issue in to the things to which the government, through the schools, can subject a child.

But, the appeals court held, Hawkins County did not overstep those limits. It could not have constitutionally required children to take part in a ritual - the salute to the flag, for example - that offended their religious beliefs. Nor could it have forced them to affirm views different from their own. But, the court said, it can require them

Some of the assigned reading, the parents objected, seemed to suggest that all religious were equally valid. One mother testified that she did not want her child encouraged to make critical judgments on those subjects for which the Bible provides the answer. Judge Pierce Lively replied with the useful distinct tion between religious and civil toleration. No child can be pressed to accept another's religion as true, but in a public school all religions do indeed have equal standing.

Judge Cornelia G. Kennedy went one useful step further. Introducing students to "complex and controversial social and moral issues" is, she held, essential preparation for citizenship. Parents cannot be allowed to pull their children out of these discussions, she wrote, because the public schools have a compelling interest in -a line from a Supreme Court decision a generation ago - promoting cohesion among a heterogeneous democratic people."

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

West Germany Does It Better

Not only is West Germany strict and vigilant about Nazi revivalism, but the economic, social and political problems which helped produce the original version hardly exist. A few hundred thousand out of 60 million read publications of the rabid right, and vote without effect for neo-Nazi splinter parties. Those seeking a real threat from the far right should look elsewhere, such as Italy. where neo-fascists regularly get into parliament with about seven percent of the total vote, or France, where Jean-Marie Le Pen's National Front, also in parliament, is currently given 17 percent in the opinion polls. Mr. Le Pen generally keeps to the parliamentary rules and does not favor fascist symbols or call for political violence, but he peddles xenophobia and authoritarian policies which have not only tempted the ruling coalition of the right to try to outbid him but also split it

over the question of whether to do political

deals with the National Front. If the price of liberty is eternal vigilance, the West Germans are streets ahead of the French.

- The Guardian (London).

The Pope Reaches Out to Jews

Pope John Paul II's efforts to ease tensions between himself and Jews are welcome. His meeting in June with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim damaged relations between the pontiff and the worldwide Jewish community. Now, just before embarking on a trip to the United States, the pope has reached out to Jews in a letter released by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in which he encourages and blesses all "who foster relationships of mutual esteem and friendship" with Jews. It is a measure of the good will and respect that have surrounded this pope that his conciliatory efforts appear to be reaping a positive reaction.

- The Times-Picayane (New Orleans).

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OPINION



For Now, Soviet Jets Are Half an Hour Away

N EW YORK — Soviet motor, rifle and armored regiments in southwestern Afghanistan are separated from the Arabian Sea by only 560 kilometers (350 miles) of Iranian and Pakistani Baluchistan. Soviet engineers are busy building strategic infrastructures in Afghanistan whose function is clearly to mesh Afghanistan into the

Soviet transport and defense systems. Soviet aircraft overfly and monitor the Indian Ocean and the Gulf. From airbases in southern Afghanistan, Soviet strike aircraft and naval combers can reach the Gulf in 30 minutes. Tankers entering and exiting the Gulf must pass into the Arabian Sea where they come within striking dis-tance of the Baluchi coast — the very same Baluchi coast that has been the altimate goal of southern Soviet expansion since the days of the czars.

Theoretically, the objectives of a Soviet thrust southward would be the well developed Iranian port of Chah Bahar, or, perhaps more likely, the Pakistani port at Gwadar. Still only a fishing village, Gwadar possesses, as does Chah Bahar, a unique geographical feature. Within 180 meters (600 feet) of the shoreline, the ocean bed drops dramatically to a depth of almost 180 meters. Construction of a mole from the shore to these deep waters would convert these ports into major naval bases, offering a sheltered anchorage and support complex for even the largest warships. It is no surprise, then, that Soviet strategists are aware of Baluchistan's importance and vulnerability. It is believed to be defended by only two Pakistani infantry divisions.

The need for assured Soviet access to Gulf oil is highlighted by the economic costs and environ-mental difficulties which almost make prohibitive the exploration and development of potential Siberian reserves unless oil prices reach levels several

T OKYO — The continuing slump in Chinese Japanese relations is

puzzling. Both countries would seem

to have everything to gain from closer

ties. Yet what at first seemed like mi-

nor hiccups in relations are threaten-

kyo is a long one. It is also rather thin in places. The Chinese say that Japa-

nese businessmen exploit their coun-

try, that they make large trade profits

and undertake little serious invest-

ment. But it was reckless purchases in

the years before 1986, by semi-autonomous authorities around China, that

created the fat trade profits. And Bei-

jing still does little to ease the bureau-

cratic obstacles that deter so many

Japanese and other investors in China.

Beijing's complaint list against To-

ing to become a major upheaval.

By Arthur Ross and Eric Margolis

times higher than presently prevailing. Even then
the level of supply is problematical.
In the meantime, production from existing areas
is level to declining, against a backdrop of increasing
needs. For example, Soviet automobile registration. for 1985 amounted to only 11,737,000, with production at 1,332,000 annually, in comparison to regis-tration in America of 132,108,164, and production of 8 million. Thus it is evident that the Soviet Union

is only on the brink of the automobile age. There will be increasing need of oil for transportation purposes, apart from rising demand for the creation of energy, heat and petrochemicals. Only the exportable oil reserves of the Gulf can fill longterm Soviet needs which parallel those of the West. Few people now imagine that the Soviets will rew people now imagine that the soviets win make the last 560-kilometer push to reach the long-coveted warm waters. The current regime of Mikhail Gorbachev appears to be in a stage of tactical transition in which inward attention to economic

problems takes precedence over foreign involve-ments. But there is a clear pattern of territorial expansion in Soviet history, particularly southward.
While the cautious Soviets would certainly be extremely wary of provoking a major superpower confrontation in Southwest Asia or in chall Washington's stated resolve to defend Pakistan, the shimmering warm waters of the Gulf are a tantaliz-ing prize of the greatest strategic value. The long-term economic imperatives driving the Soviets to-ward reliance on Gulf oil are also inescapable.

Ports and air bases on the Baluchi coast would provide the Soviet Union with military parity - or more - in relation to Gulf oil. Operating on interior

China: Relations With Tokyo Can Be Upsetting

cause, of the problems in relations.

tions at the bands of nationalist-

minded Japanese just one generation

removed from the present generation.

Mr. Hu's enthusiastic attempts to

forge an alliance with Japan ran

roughshod over these memories.
Worse for Mr. Hu was the fact that

those moves coincided with a strong

right-wing resurgence in Japanese politics. The nationalist lobby in To-

kyo has gained significant ground in

recent years: the revival of nationalist

symbols in the classrooms; textbook

revisions to tone down references to

Japan's former misdeeds; semi-offi-

cial recognition for the Yasukuni Shrine, which used to serve as the

to the Yasukuni Shrine. But none of

One authoritative report in Tokyo

says that Mr. Hu was denounced by his critics as a tool of the Japanese, in

the same mold as the notorious war-

time puppet leader. Wang Ching-wei.

If true, Mr. Hu was in much more

trouble over his Japan policy than

The role that sensitivity to Japan

plays in Chinese politics is insufficiently realized. In the mid-1960s, too, Chinese

moderates found their efforts at bridge-

building sabotaged by pro-Taiwan ele

ments in Japan's ruling Liberal Demo-

cratic Party. One theory has it that the backlash in China could have trig-

Currently, the main thorn in rela-

tions is an ugly dispute over the fate of China's legal claim to a small hos-

tel in Kyoto, registered back in 1953

nese government in Taiwan. Beijing

has protested vigorously against a

Japanese court decision to leave the

hostel with the Nationalist govern-

ment. In 1972, Japan recognized Bei-

jing as the only legal government in China, and Tokyo's refusal to force

the courts to accept this amounts,

Beiling says, to a tacit recognition of

Taiwan and an attempt to create a

"two-Chinas" situation.

in the name of the Nationalist Chi-

gered the Cultural Revolution.

anyone realized at the time.

this was enough to save Mr. Hu.

By Gregory Clark

lines of supply connecting with mainland Russia, the growing Soviet naval power finally would achieve its maximum usefulness with access to the

Indian Ocean, the African continent and beyond. U.S. policy should be to assist the government of Mohammed Zia ul-Haq toward greater liberaliza-tion and a reinforcement of its pro-Western orientation. Then a truly bold and innovative Western strategy might be to gain access to military facilities along the Arabian Sea coastline in cooperation with Pakistan. A joint NATO or American Pakistani naval and air base at Gwadar would do much to prevent a future imbalance of military power in the area. Along with the U.S. facility at Diego Garcia,

Pakistan itself would be considerably strengthened. It has taken the Russians almost 700 years to reach the border with Baluchistan. What happens on the Baluchi coast in the next five years could well shape the future of much of Africa and Asia. The Soviets are obviously strengthening their role in this area and establishing options for them-selves. There is no evidence that the United States

is making similar preparations.

Resolution of this problem may very well have to wait for an overall global understanding between the two superpowers. Meanwhile, it is necessary to cope with the military and political aspects of the Arabian Sea and Persian Gulf areas so that access to oil reserves is not threatened and the ultimate negotiation recognizing Soviet needs can be carried out by the West from a position of strength.

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hon, who was soon eased out of the agency by Bill Casey for this sort of adherence to proper form. "Judge Sporkin drafted the finding," a high federal official who is learned in the law writes to me, "at the request of a senior CIA official to assure compli-

ance, nunc pro tune, with Section 2422 of Title 22 of the U.S. Code." "Nunc pro tune" is not the name of a Vietnamese spy: the Latin phrase means "now for then" and in this case refers to the president's retroactive approval of a violation of law, thereby making it legal. My unidentifiable correspondent then

Iran-Contra:

Much Left

To Unravel

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — Here are a

Iran-contra hearings that a committee

few loose ends left after the

report, a special prosecutor or an enterprising journalist may clear up.

The Unfound Finding. John Poin-

poses a line of questioning:
"Who physically handed the finding to the president for his signature?" (Let us presume it was Admiral Poindexter. Were they alone?) "How many counterparts did the president sign?" (That is legalese for "copies"; rarely in government is there one copy of anything.) "Why did Admiral Poindexter keep the signed finding in his safe?" (It seems obvious: so nobody else would see it.)
"Was the CIA official, who requested the finding furnished a signed

We will realize how little we knew of the truth.

counterpart or an authenticated copy?" (Hmm; presumably not, or the committee would have made it public. Strange that the CIA deputy would have laid his job on the line by demanding the finding, and then would not have asked to see it. He would have had to be a very trusting soul to take anybody's word for its existence.)

"If the CIA was not furnished a signed counterpart or authenticated copy, was the agency effectively hostage to Admiral Poindexter?" That suggests that the national security adviser may have had a document under his sole control that could keep the too CIA officials from prosecution. Why was that signed retroactive approval "undocketed" if Section 201 of Title

44 of the U.S. Code requires records be kept of all presidential documents?

The Robertson-North Dispute. "In 1985 I was in the Page Airplane Terminal in Washington, D.C.," the televangelist and presidential candidate Pat Robertson told a delegation of young Republicans and later repeated to reporters, "and I ran into a friend of some years whose name was Colone Oliver North. And Ollie said to me, 'I'm going to Iran to negotiate the release of some of our hostages. Would you please pray for me?"

A few days later, according to Mr. Robertson, he told President Reagan. "I understand a member of your official familiy has left for Iran to discuss the negotiations for the release of the hostages." He said the president re-plied that he did not want to conduct negotiations in the newspapers.

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If true, that would be a stunner: It places Colonel North in the process of arranging a trip six months before he went to Iran. It would reveal that he leaked to an uncleared preacher one of America's most closely held secrets.

"I do not recall that conversation," Colonel North testified in answer to questioning about this by Senator Sam Nunn. He claimed that he was not planning a trip to Tehran when Mr. Robertson says they met on Sept. 13, 1985. "I'm not even sure that's a quote from Reverend Robertson."

Something is very fishy about this. Mr. Robertson does not return calls from ungodly pundits, but I do not think he created this story out of thin air. What would be his motive in lying, or in getting his friend Oliver North in grave trouble for divulging secrets withheld from Congress? The people who support Mr. Robertson and also revere Colonel North are

Why do we bother our heads with such mini-mysteries? Why not just move on, as the president suggests? Because much more is to be learned different national personalities are When legal minds and inquiring gumpushing themselves willy-nilly into a shoes pull at loose ends, the bigger mysteries unravel. In a few months, we will look back at today and realize how little we knew of the truth. The New York Times.

China: Attacking Intellectuals Can't Be Good for Confidence

panese and other investors in China. What went wrong? Conventional Beijing says it objects to Tokyo's wisdom says that the problems are all

breaking of a promise to keep mili-tary spending to within 1 percent of in the wake of Mr. Hu's fall from

ONCE again intellectuals are under attack in China. That is not unusual, but this time it contradicts

the political signals from Beijing. In the past, a purge of intellectuals usually coincided with the ascendancy of more conservative leaders and their policies. Now it appears that the reformers, led by Deng Xiaoping and Zhao Ziyang, the prime minister and acting party chairman, have checked the conservatives and their campaign against "bourgeois liberalization" begun earlier this year. That campaign led to the dismissal of Hu Yaobang as the party's general secretary.

From all appearances, the reformers have regained the offensive and plan to introduce political revisions in October at the 13th party congress. There they intend to pass legislation to reduce the party's role in the economy and to separate party functions from the day-to-day running of the government, although the party would con-tinue to formulate overall policies.

Editorials in the party newspaper, the People's Daily, no longer condemn bourgeois liberalization and "Westemized" intellectuals. Today the obstacles to reform are "ossified" think-

ing and inflexible party bureaucrats.
Why does the party purge intellectuals who have out into this ossification? Among them are a popular playwright, Wu Zuguang, and well known ideological theorists. Chief among these are Wang Ruoshui, former deputy editor of the People's Daily, and Su Shaozhi. director of the Institute for Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought, They have reinterpreted Marxism to make it more responsive to a new age.

The attack on these intellectuals in-

vatives and reformers is going on for supremacy at the party congress.

Perhaps Mr. Deng has again found it

dicates that a conflict between conser

gross national product. It says it sees

militarism reviving. But in an earlier,

anti-Soviet mood, China welcomed

the way China manipulates various

factions in Japan to promote its own

It is all a far cry from the ambitious

plans of the mid-1980s, when China's

former Communist Party chief, Hu

Yaobang, and Japan's prime minister,

Yasuhiro Nakasone, were exchanging

visits and setting up committees that

were to exchange thousands of stu-

dents annually and guarantee close

relations through the 21st century.

side of these and other disputes.

Meanwhile, Tokyo complains about

Japan's defense policies.

expedient to give in to the conserva-tives' demands in the intellectual realm in order to get his reforms in the economic realm, and now in the political realm. He may be more than willing to purge a handful of nagging intellectuals who demand democratic reform when what he wants are merely administrative reforms that serve his economic program. But such trade-offs in the past we placated the conservatives only briefly and have harmed reforms more than they have beloed them.

Mr. Deng initially went along with the conservatives in the campaign against bourgeois liberalization, even to the point of dismissing his protege, Mr. Hu. But he pulled back when the conservatives expanded their aim into the economy. A similar dynamic may occur this time. The conservatives have never been satisfied with purging just a small number of intellect

The long-term effect may be even more damaging to Mr. Deng's reforms. The regime is trying to recruit intellectuals into the party in the hope of transforming it from a relatively uneducated political clite into an intellectual-technocratic elite. The purge of highly respected intellectuals makes that aim all the more difficult.

Students abroad might find it easier to stay where they are without fear of arbitrary political attack. Already there are signs that a growing number are reluctant to return home.

- Merle Goldman, professor of Chinese history at Boston University, writing in The New York Times.

the hands of Japanese rightists. With a long sideways glance at Mr. Naka-sone, they say that Japan has kowpower. But the true story could be that Mr. Hu's fall was the result, not the towed too long to Beijing's unreasonable demands. The Chinese should be Suspicion of Japan still runs deep told firmly that Japan is a democratic in many Chinese leaders, and not just nation in which the independence of among the hard-liners. Many rememthe judiciary is respected. ber the war years and the humilia-

For the most part, the government has gone along with this line, in particular the Foreign Ministry, which in recent years, has moved to a surprisingly hard-line position in relations with the Communist nations.

Tokyo's position is not without flaws. The government, with much assistance from the Foreign Ministry, intervenes regularly to have civil suits against U.S. bases rejected, on the grounds that Japan has a treaty obligation to accept the bases. When Ja-pan recognized Beijing in 1972 it was taken for granted that official Nationalist Chinese assets should be handed over to Beijing. As for Mr. Nakasone, once again

focus for prewar militarism. The ever he finds himself between a rock and powerful Taiwan lobby also has gained muscle, thanks largely to Taia hard place. But this time he has gone no further in Beijing's direcwan's stunning economic success. tion than to say that his government The sight of Mr. Hu embracing will voice an opinion on the hostel Mr. Nakasone, who was himself an issue if that opinion is sought by the active nationalist in the past, would courts. However, he did force the not have gone down well with the carry retirement of a top Foreign anti-Japan lobby in Beijing. True, Mr. Nakasone has tried hard to tone Ministry official who had angered and also revere Colonel N Beijing by saying, off the record, that going to have trouble here. China's senior leader, Deng Xiaodown most of the more offensive of ping, had lost touch with reality.

And so the stalemate continues: the national affronts to China. In particular, he has halted official visits

Two Asian giants who share the same cultural background but have very nit-picking confrontation. It has happened before. Let's hope the results are less painful this time.

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IN OUR PAGES, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1912: Spying in Crimea ODESSA — A despatch from Sebas-topol states that within the last week. concurrently with the proclamation of martial law, some sixty secret

from St. Petersburg. They are met in all resorts usually frequented by liberty men ashore from the warships, and also in the naval officers' casino. Curiously enough, however, says the writer of the despatch, the efforts of these spies to gain the friendly confidence of the suspected seamen and petty officers have so far signally failed. By some inexplicable means or fore-knowledge their disguises are easily penetrated by the wary bluejackets whom they have under surveillance. A retired naval officer has assured me that the disaffection among the fleet crews is a much graver matter than the China's anger plays straight into authorities care to acknowledge.

1937: Mellon Dies at 82 NEW YORK - Andrew William Mellon, Secretary of Treasury under Presidents Warren G. Harding, Calvin Coolidge and Herbert Hoover, and agents of the political police have rated one of the world's wealthiest men, died at the home of his son-inmen, died at the home of his son-inlaw, David K. Bruce, at Southampton, L.I., late this evening [Aug. 26]. Mr Melion was eighty-two years old. In failing health for some time, he became so ill last week that he was unable to leave the home of his son-inlaw whom he had been visiting he return to Pittsburgh, During his term as Secretary of the Treasury, which lasted eleven years — the second long. est in the history of the United State. - Mr. Mellon frequently was called "the greatest Secretary of the Treasury since Alexander Hamilton." He was reputed to be the fourth richest man in the world. He willed his \$19,000,000 art collection to the nation a year ago.



After an Airliner Crashes, The Good News Remains

By George F. Will

WASHINGTON — To the accusa-tion that they report only bad news, journalists reply: We can't be expected to report planes that land safely. But when a crash crystallizes anxiety about air safety, journalism should stress the news - yes, news - that flying is astonishingly safe.

Travel on U.S. commercial airlines is the safest form of transportation ever devised. Considering the hazards to pedevised. Considering the nazarus to pedestrians though the ages — prehistoric tigers, medieval brigands and today's muggers — flying is much safer than walking. And it has been becoming safer. The fatality rate per flying hour in the United States in 1986 was about in the United States in 1986 was about half what it was in 1978.

That drop coincided with deregula-tion, which dropped fares and democratized air travel. In 1967, only 10 percent of the American population had ever flown. Last year alone, 31 percent of the adult population flew. In 1978, 275 million flew. This year, 450 million will.

The irrational fear of flying involves a mistaken apprehension of midair colliplanes that are 98 percent of all aircraft. Their operators constitute an upscale and ferocious lobby in defense of the sovereign American right to be mobile. They are not apt to be grounded. But they, too, have a remarkable safety record.

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Still, as a safety expert says, it is possible to skate successfully on thin ice but is better to skate on thick ice. Increased vigilance and spending are in order. The post-deregulation proliferation and then merging of airlines (today nine American carriers have 90 percent of the passengers; at 15 major airports, one carrier has at least 50 percent or two have at least 70 percent of the business) has caused financial and morale problems that are producing maintenance and operational problems. Today safety

is being purchased by sacrificing service.
Delays are inevitable due to the rising ratio of metal to tarmac: The number of planes is increasing much more rapidly than airport facilities. Everyone wants more airports; no one wants one next door. American government is a thicken-

7 Put the Crash in Perspective

The only way to be completely safe is to remain perfectly stationary. But since that is contrary to the human spirit and the laws of nature, living itself always will entail risk. This recognition in no way diminishes the tragic loss of life in the last year's 19,796 homicides. That onecrash of Northwest Airlines flight 255 on takeoff from Detroit en route to Phoenix. But on Aug. 16, when flight 255 crashed in flames, almost an equal number of people died in automobile accidents on America's highways and city streets.

— The Arizona Republic (Phoenix).

ing web of blocking mechanisms, and people are increasingly skillful and aggressive in using them, principally courts, to styrnie action. Los Angeles, Chicago, Miami and other cities need new airports. but there probably will be no major airport built in the foreseeable future.

The problem is not money. There is a surplus of \$5.6 billion in the Aviation Trust Fund - tax dollars not at work. The money is put there by users of the air system, principally travelers who pay an 8 percent excise tax on tickets. The politics of "deficit reduction" causes the administration and Congress to hoard the trust fund so as to avoid adding a drop to the bucket of red ink."

This is preposterous parsimony in an air system short of controllers and the remarkable technology for early warning wind shears, the cause of three crashes that have killed 404 people since 1975. If another such crash occurs because available technology was not purchased, there will be blood on the hands of all those who have made cheese-paring conserva-tism the doctrine of this decade.

Unsound policies, and posturing as a substitute for policy, flourish when the public has irrational risk perceptions. Journalism often manufactures these.

Facts about AIDS filter slowly through the fog of media-driven alarm. facts such as reports from the Centers for Disease Control that there is no evidence that AIDS will reach epidemic proportions among heterosexuals other in intravenous drug abusers.

Because highway and handgun carnage is constant and spread across the continent, the caruage is not as telegenic or newsworthy as rare air tragedies.

But journalism should do justice to the fact that last year the average daily death rate from automobile accidents in the United States was 126. The average Sunday toll was probably higher than the 156 killed in the recent Detroit air crash. Any politician inflaming public anxiety by de-claiming about the "crisis" in air safety should be asked how he voted on increasing from 55 to 65 miles (88 to 104 kilometers) per hour the speed limit on rural interstate highways. That change will have the predictable result of producing far more fatalities each year than will

result from airplane mishaps.
Suicide and homicide together are, after accidents and cancer and heart disease, the fourth leading cause of American deaths. Guns were involved in 61 total of gun-related homicides is nearly double the number of fatalities from all accidents in the history of U.S. commercial aviation. Lawmakers who will not control handguns should not fly around making speeches about air safety. Washington Post Writers Group.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

supports their role, although it cannot

reconcile calls for sanctions on the one hand and higher wages on the other, Black miners are not herded into bar-

racks. They apply to come from all parts of South Africa and neighboring coun-

tries, to improve their lot. To compare

The Mining Industry Doesn't Represent Apartheid

In the strike by 40 percent of South Africa's black mineworkers, it is quite wrong and harmful to cast the National Union of Mineworkers as pitted against apartheid in the form of the Chamber of Mines and its member companies. Yet our reading of overseas press reports shows that this is a popular interpreta-tion, all too often supported by misleading statements — as in your opinion page item by Coretta Scott King, "Support the Strike and Tough Sanctions" (Aug. 17).

The mining industry represents free enterprise, not apartheid, and while it has no political stance, it has negotiated with the government on a number of issues — with some success — designed to free the economy from racial barriers. It made a major input toward the recog-nition of black trade unions, and still

with those in America and Europe. Chamber of Mines of South Africa.

St.-Tropez in the Summer

Regarding "The New St.-Tropez: Top-less but Also Bardot-less" (Aug. 20):

We have been spending our summer vacations in St.-Tropez for the last 15 years. Never more than this year have we noticed that the situation was becoming alarming. We are really surprised to read that Dr. Jean-Michel Couve, the mayor, is trying hard to "upgrade" the town's clientele. You can hardly do so by allowing boxing matches, corridas and so forth to take place regularly. Not only do such events asphyxiate the city with cars, they invite a lot of disruptive elements to come and spend a few hours.

Not long ago, St.-Tropez was the most selective and secluded resort on the Côte d'Azur. Today it has joined ranks with

Johannesburg. the coast. Mayor Couve is right to say that people with real spending power have left or have holed up in their villas.

P.H. BOSMAN,

General Manager.

FADI K. AGHA.

St.-Tropez, France. I enjoyed reading the obligatory annual article about St.-Tropez and its decline. It has the usual references to Colette, Françoise Sagan and Brigitte Bardot, and tells how a sleepy fishing village became a cheap, glitzy T-shirtselling tourist mecca of 110,000 daily in the summer while the big-money people flee to their villas in the hills in despair. I gather that the writer mainly visited the crowded port, which has the same relationship to this many-tiered town that Times Square has to New York.

For future versions of this piece, please other unfortunate city-resorts that litter note: Property values are still among the

highest in Europe and rise yearly, with a million-dollar villa now considered smallish; there are other industries besides fishing - the visitor ought to notice some vineyards - and a French naval factory is the largest single employer. This is a delightful community all year long al-though, granted, we permanent residents tend to huddle around our pools in July

accident fatalities at American mines and August to avoid tourists in town.

It's Pampeloane beach (not Pamplowith those at South Africa's is to ignore huge differences. American mines, for na), and it and Tahiti beach are not the instance, are only a fraction of the depth best beaches around. (I'm not telling of our gold mines, which average three which are.) The topless custom did not kilometers (1.9 miles). The figures for our start in 1964 but a good decade earlier. coal mines, where a high degree of mech-MORTON PUNER. anization is possible, compare (avorably St.-Tropez, France.

Call in the United Nations

I was pleased to see, in Edwin M. Yoder Jt.'s inspiring article "Any Way You Slice It. You're Hooked" (Sparts, Aug. 6), that attention has finally been drawn to the bane of golf addiction, long perceived as a benign malady but now seen increasingly as one of the more pernicious consequences of British imperial-ism. The instances of the United Nations that deal with narcotics and human rights should include golf on the list of danger-

ous addictions, and classify it as slavery. Centers could be set up for the destruction of cult objects such as handicap cards, golf clubs and trophies. Provision might have to be made for the obtaining of golf balls on prescription, to prevent the illegal sale of these items. But Mr. Yoder's idea for an organization along the lines of Alcoholics Anonymous, in which addicts would meet to discuss their traumas, won't work. They would end up, as usual, lying about their scores.

A.T. JENNINGS.

It Was a Special Cup of Tea, For the Simplest of Reasons

By Kedar Nath

BERLIN — It was an oppressively warm mid-February night. There was about an hour to go before I got my connection with the Madras Mail. I was connection with the Madras Mail. I was in the railway station at Quilon, a town in that, I asked what sort of place Quilon was. the southwest Indian state of Kerala.

the platform. A thin, long-haired man history. In olden times it had dealings next to me was having a snack off a with the Persians, Arabs, Greeks and plantain leaf. It was still a novel sight to Romans, Marco Polo called it Coilum in me. I had discovered that the heat of the his books. The Portuguese were the first

MEANWHILE

your hand, although you felt it all the more in your mouth as you ate.

The assistant behind the counter, a young chap with a few wisps of hair on his chin, asked me in broken English: "Your home, please?"
"Delhi," I replied, adding, "One tea

The man beside me paused in his eating. "Oh, you are from Delhi?" he asked with sudden interest.

The man beside me paused in his empty cup down on the counter.

"You pay nothing," he replied.

"But I must I enjoyed the tea, after all."

"That's right." "Where are you going?"
"Now to Madras, from there to Delhi."

"What's the purpose of your journey?" Secine (nends.) "Why aren't you traveling with your family?" he asked with a look of surprise.
"I'll do so next time."

Then you will get more enjoyment out of your trip. What business are you in?" During the past few days in the south I had often been asked such questions by strangers. Once you satisfied their curiosity they were ready to tell you all you wanted to know, no matter how personal. So now I made my standard reply, a

white lie: "Income tax law." "Hmm." And the man said something to his assistant in Malayalam, the language of Kerala. Then, turning to me: I am the proprietor of the stall.

would like to serve you personally. He dropped the empty plantain leaf into a bin and was on the other side of the counter the next minute. The inner walls of the stall were hung with portraits. I pointed to one that showed a very young man with three horizontal head, carrying a trident.
"Who is that?" I asked.

"It is Subrahmanya, the war god, as a boy," the stall-keeper answered. "You in the north probably call him Karttikeya."

He explained two other pictures, whose subjects I did not tell him I knew: Ganapati. the elephant-headed god of fortune and learning, and Sarasvati, goddess of the creative arts, with a four-stringed musical instrument called the vina. Then he indicated portraits representing the saintly swami Vivekananda, the philosopher Sarveoalli Radhakrishnan and national leaders like Gandhi and Nehru.

With a grateful bow, I sipped the tea. "Good?" he asked.
"Yes," I said. "First class."

"Well, it is a big commercial city," he I stopped at a tea-and-coffee stall on told me. "As a seaport it has quite a European traders to land here. They were followed by the Dutch in 1662. And the Dutch were followed by the English. Yes, food did not penetrate through the leaf to and today - today there are three colleges in the city. And perhaps you know that the cashew nuts of Quilon are fam-ous all over the world."

"They sell cheap, I hope."
"Nothing is cheap these days except the words of our politicians," he said.

I had finished my tea.

"It is on me."

But you don't know me." replied. "Isn't that enough?"

It's too much. Do please let me pay." He shook his head firmly. "In no case." I returned the money to my wallet and said, "It's been a pleasure being your guest. Tell me, what makes you so kind to

someone you have never seen before?" "Me kind? Oh, no!" he gave a modest smile. "It is just that I fast every Tuesday. Fasting, as you know, is good for the soul and for the body, too. It is a method of telling the body that I am its master and not other way round."

"And that makes you generous, too?"
The matter is quite simple. What to do with the money I save on food on the fast day? It won't be moral to spend it on myself. So I use it like this: I give free tea or collec to a different man every day."

"To your friends as well?" "Never," he declared. "That would mean impressing them with my good-ness; that would be like doing something for profit, direct or indirect. And only an action that is selflesss can be virtuous. lines of sandalwood paste on his fore- For this reason I offer a cup of tea to a total stranger, whenever that is possible.

> Mr. Nath is an Indian writer based in Berlin. He contributed this article to the International Herald Tribune

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GENERAL NEWS

NEW YORK: After 10 Years, South Bronx Remains the Archetypal Slum

(Continued from Page 1).

nearly one in four, that had given opportunity to earlier generations of unskilled workers.

But some blame the city for reducing services deliberately to depopulate the area for urban renew--- "planned shrinkage," officials called it.

Others say rent control has made repairs uneconomical for land-

Still others blame the banks: landlords and business owners who were unable to obtain mortgages found it more profitable to torch their buildings and collect insur-

Social plagues are a clear factor: drugs, teen pregnancy, the cumula-tive demoralizing effect of generations on welfare.

Fernando Ferrer, the new Bronx horough president, remembers Mr.

We were so happy," he said. "It is not every day a president comes into a blighted neighborhood. He made a commitment to rebuild, but it seemed nobody was behind it. It turned out to be rhetoric. The and a city bureaucracy tangled in South Bronx was left to twist slow- red tape. Mr. Logue nonetheless ly, slowly in the wind for a long

Six months after Mr. Carter's trip Mayor Edward I. Koch and Deputy Mayor Herman Badillo announced a \$1.5 billion plan to revive the Bronx and build a 732-unit rental complex on Charlotte Street. But instead, the White House

was talking about "leveraging" a few million in federal funds in hopes of attracting private enterprise — a few job programs here, a federal office building there.

Mayor Koch brought in Edward J. Logue, who guided major redevelopment projects in New Haven. Connecticut, and Boston. In July 1980 Mr. Logue unveiled new South Bronx plan - this time to create 25,000 new and reha-

bilitated owner-occupied apart-

ments, in hopes of bringing back

middle-class blacks and Hispanics

who had fled the decay; extensive

industrial and commercial space;

10,000 new jobs; and 193 recreation facilities at a total cost of \$20 million a year for seven years. But by then, cynicism had set in.

When Mr. Reagan alighted on Charlotte Street as a candidate in August 1980 to criticize Mr. Carter's urban policy, he was confronted by residents shouting, "You ain't gonna do nothing! Go back to

Mr. Reagan confronted the hecklers, saying. "I can't do a damn thing for you if I don't get elected!"

Once elected, Mr. Reagan began dismantling federal housing programs on which Mr. Logue's South Bronx Redevelopment Organization was relying. Nationwide, fund-ing has dropped by 58 percent since 1981, from \$26 billion a year to \$11

"There was a piddling amount of money" left for the Bronx, Mr. Logue said. "I know how to rebuild a

city, but I can't do it with mirrors." Despite drastically reduced government programs, a Democratic machine that stymied development left one tangible, if somewhat bizarre legacy. Ninety-one aluminum-sided, single-family homes. surrounded by quarter-acre lawns

and white fences, are being built on Charlotte Street: a surreal bit of suburbia surrounded by scorched

But with the last homes still unto distribute it among other groups. speaker put it.

The group that got the most chairman in the Bronx, Stanley Friedman, who was recently sentenced to 12 years in prison for bribery and racketeering, and Ra-said James Drake, a veteran orgamon Velez, a political boss who controls thousands of jobs and votes in the Puerto Rican community. A few weeks later, Mr. Velez. a Democrat, endorsed Mr. Reagan

for re-election. Amid the corruption and decay. scattered signs of hope and struggle

Some of the once-opulent art deco buildings on the Grand Concourse, the main avenue of the

Bronx, are being renovated. A Roman Catholic priest, the Reverend Louis Gigante, has built 1,800 apartments in his burned-out parish over the last eight years.

Youth gangs that terrorized the Bronx in the 1970s have mostly

In the basement of St. Anselm's church one recent evening, 300 der construction, Mr. Logue is long blacks and Hispanics from 30 par-gone. In 1984, the U.S. secretary of ishes, Baptist and Catholic, gathishes, Baptist and Catholic, gathhousing and urban development, ered to organize a rally. The group, Samuel R. Pierce Jr., ended the South Bronx Churches, has raised South Bronx Redevelopment Orga- \$800,000 to develop a grass-roots nization's \$1 million annual grant. lobby to "take charge!" as one

But the task is daunting, even for \$561,000 — was a consortium run a group that has organized similar by a former Democratic Party efforts in Brooklyn, Queens, Baltimore and other places.

"I have never seen this level of disintegration in a community.

Tomorrow: Corruption is deepl ingrained in Boom Town.

■ Two Set Ablaze in Park

The police said a homeless man and woman were set on fire early Wednesday by five youths who doused them with a flammable liquid as they were sleeping in Brook lyn's Prospect Park, The Associat-

ed Press reported. The woman was admitted to hospital and the man was treated and released. The police said they knew of no motive for the attack.

TITANIC: Salvage Efforts in Atlantic Stir Controversy

(Continued from Page 1) taken on a world tour after a worldwide television spectacular Oct. 28

in Monte Carlo. The term we use is 'docutainment'" he said.

He said that people do not always watch documentaries without some drama to them, and while we're not doing 'Ben Hur' by any means, we're happy to have a bit of

The more than 60 reporters and

cameramen present, however, kept

returning to the "exploitation"

theme, chafing the patience of Mr.

Chappaz and Mr. Tulloch, and of Robert Slavitt, the general counsel

of Oceanic Research. "Look," Mr. Slavitt said, "in a sense everything in America is ex-ploitation, because most people in this country are trying to make a profit. And that's perfectly proper. You people have written articles about the Titanic to sell newspapers. Is that exploiting the Ti-

He added that there was "almost a book a week written about the Holocaust, and their authors expect to make a reasonable profit." "Yet" he said "nobody calls of "grave robbing."

that exploiting the Holocaust. That drew a protest from an unidentified reporter in a yarmulke, who declared Mr. Slavitt's compar-

ison to be "obscene" and demand

ed an apology. He did not get it.

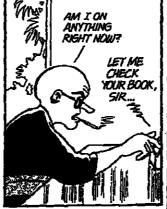
While scientists at the Institute for Research and Exploitation Beneath the Sea, the French agency whose submarine, ships and scien tists are performing the undersea work, have sought to keep the focus on the technology used in their mission, controversy over the expedi-tion has persisted with accusations

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For Orthodox Patriarch, a Reconciliation Mission to Soviet

MOSCOW — He travels through Moscow in a motorcade of ern Christianity. black sedans. In his retinue they talk of "bilateral relations." "protocol problems" and "rapproche-

If the visit of Patriarch Dimitrios i, leader of the world's Orthodox Christians, resembles a diplomatic mission, it is because it is one. The visit here is the first by an

ecumenical patriarch of Constantinople since 1589. It is viewed by both the Greek Orthodox and Russian Orthodox churches as a step within Orthodoxy, The differences sides and Orthodox followers in

toward ending the relative isolation are largely political rather than Moscow said the visit was an im- the Orthodox churches, we hope to of the Russian church and reconcil- theological, including the deep rift portant symbol linking Russian be in a better position to serve the ing the splintered churches of East- between Orthodox churches in followers to the outside world, and cause of pan-Christian unity," an

"I think the visit will promote further strengthening of the unity of the Orthodox Church," said patriarch on a 12-day tour of the by Patriarch Pimin of Moscow. clergy and faithful in five cities.

is taking soundings for a historic ratory conference is not expected ecumenical synod, or meeting, that until the fall of 1988. will seek to reconcile differences

Communist countries and those in might speed reconciliation. the West

But church officials on both been going on for many years.

Bulgarian Orthodox churches, to The synod itself has been in the the Vatican and to the archbishop Dimitrios, who arrived Aug. 18, works since 1961. A fourth prepa- of Canterbury. The meetings with Catholic and Anglican leaders are part of ecumenical talks that have

For Patriarch Dimitrios, the So-For the Russian Orthodox No one expects a reconciliation viet Union is the most dramatic Church and the Soviet government soon. In Orthodoxy, progress is stop so far in a schedule of shuttle the trip is an opportunity to show Metropolitan Filaret of Kiev, a se- measured in decades, if not centu- diplomacy that will include, before off signs of religious vitality in a nior prelate in the Russian Orthories. Dimitrios's trip is reciprocatthe year is out, visits to the Balkan. Communist state, such as the dox Church. He is escorting the ing a trip to Istanbul 10 years ago Serbian, Romanian, Polish and churches full of followers being shown Dimitrios, and to offset Western disapproval of the country's strict limits on religion.

The trip also will help lay the groundwork for the observance "By fortifying the unity among next year of the 1,000th anniversa-

U.S. Rejects

Call to Link

Arms and Aid

WASHINGTON - The State

Department has described as with-

out merit a Soviet proposal for a

United Nations Security Council

summit meeting on disarmament

ing the idea "flawed and untena-

A department statement reiterat-

The statement on Tuesday night

ed the U.S. position that there is no

link between disarmament and eco-

nomic development.

ity into Russia by the forebears of

Many Orthodox followers in Moscow say they hope the Soviet authorities will seize that event as an occasion for liberalizing the treatment of religion, especially reforming the laws that require churches to register with the gov-ernment, prohibit teaching of religion to children outside the family and forbid religious involvement in. charitable works.

The Russian church has maintained peace with the Soviet government, but it has estranged many followers by refraining from public complaint about these limits and denying that discrimination against followers exists. Orthodoxy is the largest religious denomina-tion in the Soviet Union, with an estimated 40 million to 50 million followers.

The 400-year interval since the last visit by a patriarch of Constan-tinople was largely owing to Turk-ish politics, not the Russian government, according to officials of both the Russian and Greek Ortho-

As a Greek with headquarters in heavily Moslem Turkey. Dimitrios tries to keep a low profile, especially given the explosive state of rela-tions between Turkey and Greece. The Turkish government, no friend of the Soviet Union, has long been uncomfortable about relations between the two churches.

For centuries, relations between the patriarch and the Russian said arms reductions should be church were chilly, in part because Russian followers looked down on a patriarch beholden to the Mosgenerous than the United States in lem Turkish sultan. Moscow claimed for many years to be "the third Rome," successor to Con-stantinople as the seat of Eastern Christianity. Constantinople was renamed Istanbul in 1930.

Since 1917, when the Russian church found itself under the control of an unsympathetic government, relations have improved.

The Russian church now acknowledges the primacy of the patriarch of Constantinople. He is not considered a legal or doctrinal superior, like the Roman Catholic pope, but the most honored figure, or the first among equals, in a federation of independent churches.

One of the major points dividing that the United States, one of the the two churches is that the ecumenical natriarch recognizes the independence of other Orthodox Christians, especially emigre Rusgregations in the West, while the Russian church does not.

At the same time, an aide to Dimitrios said, the Greek Orthodox hierarchy in Istanbul does not condemn the Russian church for making its peace with the Commumist government



Mario Tuti, leader of the Elba prison revolt.

Convicts on Elba Threaten To 'Massacre' 22 Hostages

ROME - Inmates who took 22 hostages at a prison on the island of Elba on Wednesday threatened "a massacre" if the police attacked or did not grant their demands for a helicopter.
"If any action is tried against us," said Mario Tuti, a 40-year-old

rightist convicted on terrorist charges, by telephone to the news agency ANSA. "There will be only a massacre, because none of us six want to stay in jail. We all have life sentences or thereabouts. We have nothing to lose but our chains."

The prison director, Cosimo Giordano, who is also a captive, told the agency that the hostages had been treated well. Meanwhile, police helicopters buzzed overhead, police motorboats ringed the island and reinforcements arrived by ferry, swelling the number of officers around the prison to about 350,

The revolt began at 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday at the H-shaped modern prison, which was built inside 16th century walls, on the island about 6 miles (about 10 kilometers) from Tuscany off the Italian coast. Prime Minister Giovanni Goria convened an urgent meeting

Wednesday. His office said the government was sticking to its position that the immates should be persuaded to surrender. No ournalists were allowed near the prison, which holds about 400 orisoners.

Four hostages were released early in the revolt, and the inmates extended a Tuesday deadline of 6:45 P.M. to kill the hostages if no transportation were provided. They set no new deadline.

Bonn to Propose Defense Minister to Head NATO

The Associated Press

BONN — Chancelior Helmut Kohl said Wednesday that West the dominant party in the ruling Germany would propose its de- coalition. He has been defense minfense minister, Manfred Worner, as a candidate for secretary-general of

The only other declared candidate for the top civilian post in the North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-tion has been Kaare Willoch, a former prime minister of Norway. The iob will become vacant next year. Mr. Wörner is "known through-

out the alliance for his knowledge and his personality," Mr. Kohl said. "He has a great deal of international prestige."
Mr. Kohl's announcement marked the first time that Bonn

had proposed one of its citizens for the job. West Germany joined NATO in 1955. We are one of the main actors in the alliance." Mr. Khol said. adding that West Germany was "at the front line" of the East-West

son for us to excuse ourselves" for proposing a candidate for secretary-general.

4 Hungarian Bishops Take Government Oath

BUDAPEST --- Four Hungarian bishops appointed by Pope John Paul II on June 5 took oaths on the constitution Wednesday, the official MTI news agency reported, meaning that every Hungarian diocese has its own bishop with the

consent of the government. The four, Archbishops Laszlo Danko of Kaolocsa and Istvan Seregely of Eger, and Diocesan Bishups Istvan Konkoly of Szombately and Endre Gyulay of Szeged-Csanad, had been appointed with the preliminary consent of the Presidential Council before swearing allegiance to the state.

Mr. Wörner, 52, is a member of the Christian Democratic Union, loch's candidacy on Aug. 14.
the dominant party in the ruling Mr. Kohl said that be had not ister since October 1982 and is a ing Mr. Worner with Norway, alstrong advocate for increasing though he had informed "several Bonn's military forces.

The NATO secretary-general, Lord Carrington, is expected to step down next year.

Lord Carrington, 68, became secretary-general on June 25, 1984. At the time, he said he would serve for four years. The post carries no

Norway announced Mr. Wildiscussed his intention of proposvery important" NATO partners.

Other prospective candidates for the post include Leo Tindemans, the Belgian foreign minister and Rinaldo Petrignani, the Italian am-bassador to Washington. Belgium and Italy have not formally proposed their candidacies.

The NATO secretary-general

The NATO allies designate a secretary-general from a list of candidates put forward by the member governments.

rope, currently General John R. Galvin, has always been an Ameri-

The secretary-general heads an international staff that, among other duties, prepares the twice-annual meetings of the NATO foreign and defense ministers. He also serves as and economic development, termchairman of the ministerial meetings and of several NATO commithas always been a European. The tees.

Foreign Students Lack Hosts in U.S. Applications Increase by High School Pupils From Abroad

By Constance L. Havs

New York Times Service NEW YORK - International student exchange programs in the national Living, which has 10 stu-United States are experiencing un-usual difficulty this year finding American host families for high school students from abroad,

While arrangements are complete for thousands of foreign teenagers planning to spend this year studying in America, officials said at least 50 students accepted into students in American families and exchange programs were awaiting family or school placement — less than two weeks before most public schools open. Other large programs scaled back plans this year, anticipating the problem.

The reasons range from a shortage of "typical" two-parent fam-ilies willing to provide room and hoard for a \$50-a-month tax credit to limits on foreign students set by school districts. Some administrators blame their own flexibility in stretching deadlines. Others said nteer networks have been exhausted. Meanwhile, the applications have climbed.

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Shields of the Experiment in Interdents in temporary placements waiting for host families. That group has run an exchange program since 1932 and is placing about 300 high school students

from 40 countries this year. Officials of groups that together will place more than 4,500 foreign schools this year spoke of the growing difficulty.

Some of the problems facing the

exchange groups spring from pub-

lic school systems, which often lim-

it the number of foreign students. "While the families may be there, more often the schools will turn us down," said John Wilhelm, the president of Ayusa International, based in San Francisco, which still has to place 40 of the 710 students accepted for its academic year program. Then we have to find another family that doesn't live in that school district."

While applications for the visas typically issued to foreign students "We explained to them that it's a require proof of a family and

dilemma that's nationwide, not just school assignment, sometimes arour organization," said Wendy rangements are not final, said Douglas W. Hunt, chairman of the board of the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel

"Any sponsor that brings kids in school placement is not acting in

publicity extolling youth exchanges, some of it generated by the Reagan administration, had "caused more organizations to hecome involved in exchanges and encouraged those already involved to increase the programs," creating more competition and more pressure on school districts with histor- 15 members on the council, would

will arrive in January.

pursued "on their own merits" and added: "No country has been more providing economic and humanitarian assistance to the developing world."

without a home placement or the best interest of the kids," Mr. But he added that a flurry of

ies of accepting foreign students. Murray Shaw, the director of

tural in New York, said he was serve as "a vehicle for a propagan-forced to scale back his program da attack against the industrialized after it became apparent that host world's defense expenditures as the families would be in short supply. The program has placed 2,750 high school students, down from an expected 2,900. Another 20 students to economic development to devel-

"The United States has long believed," the State Department said, "that disarmament in the industrialized world and development in the Third World are not issues that are directly or functionally interre-

A Soviet official said earlier Tuesday that the Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, would be willing to come to New York this year for a meeting on the two issues of the leaders of the 15 nations on the Security Council. It had been considered unlikely

The department said it was con-U.S. operations for AFS Intercul- cerned such a conference could sian, Bulgarian and Romanian conmain cause of Third World eco-

nomic problems. It called the Soviet contribution oping nations "minuscule."

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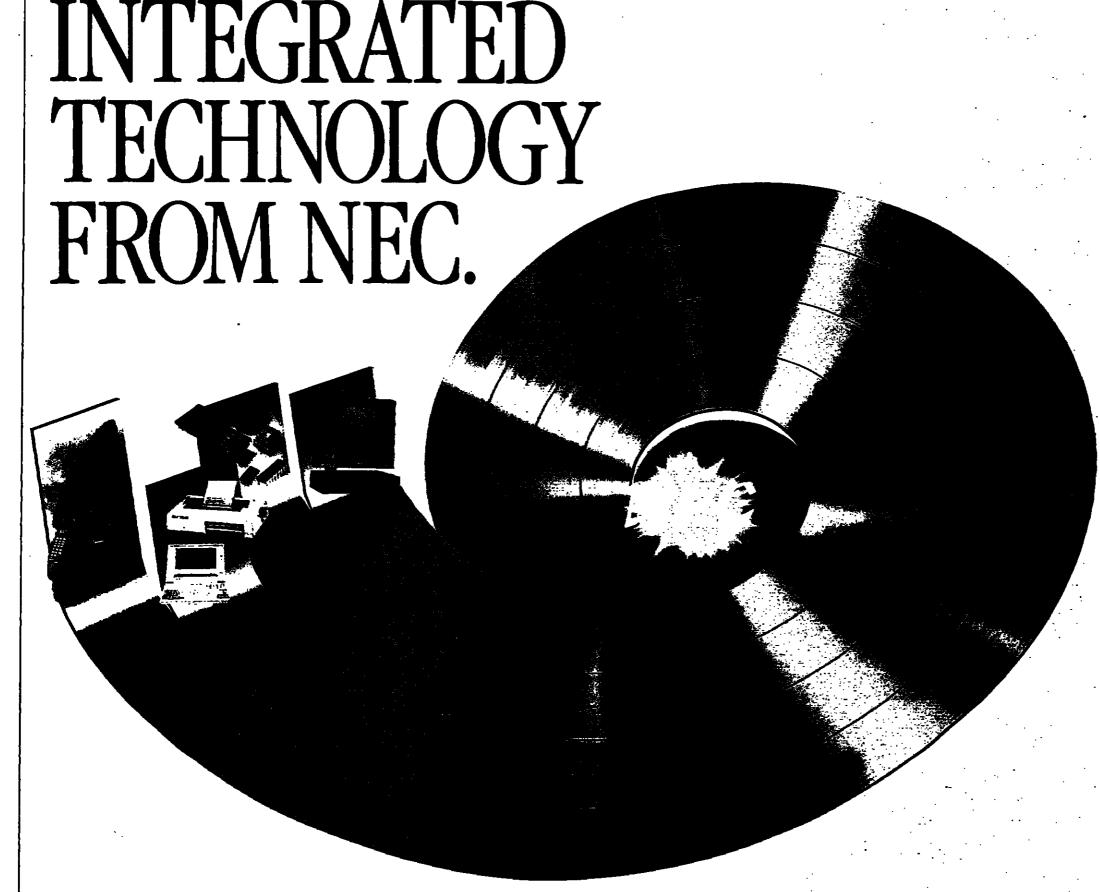
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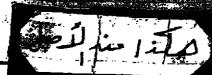
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PUSH FOR RICHTS IN LATVIA - Soviet militiamen push demonstrators away from Freedom Memorial Monument in Riga. About 5,000 people gathered to call for human rights and solidarity, U.S. tourists who made this photo available Wednesday in West Germany said. The protest Sunday marked the 48th anniversary of the pact between Hitler and Stalin ceding Latvia, Lithuania and Esonia to the Soviet Union.

REAGAN: President Hails More By Kohl on Pershings

(Confirmed from Page 1) INF missiles." INF stands for intermediate nuclear forces.

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Mr. Reagan also challenged the Soviet Union to bring a spirit of glasnost, or openness, to its military, affairs and said past U.S. Soviet arms pacis have been "too often violated by the U.S.S.R."

The president, without mentioning the name of his Soviet counterpart, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, demanded that the Kremlin ease its

terms for an arms accord. He said the United States has repeatedly pointed out that the last-minute demand by the Soviets concerning West German Personal Pers

cle from consideration. Mr. Rea- Mr. Reagan, with recent polls in

Union will demonstrate that there is substance behind the thetoric they have repeated so often of late — that they geminely want a stab lizing INF agreement

proposals constructively right than erect additional barries to agreement.

cial said before the speed that "there was absolutelyino prist brought to bear on the Boin gov-

foundation." lic relations struggle with the structure from the habits of secrecy that have so long applied to Soviet military affairs."

gan said. "We are therefore hope-ful," he added, "that the Soviet people there believe the Soviet Union will demonstrate that there leader — rather than Mr. Reagan — is a champion of peace.

> was the United States, not the Kremlin, that originally proposed elimination of medium-range missiles in Europe and a 50 percent cut in strategic weapons.

has questioned the sincerity of Mr. Gorbachev's glasnost policy, seemed to move to greater accep tance that some changes were tak-ing place in the Soviet Union.

But, he said, "we also need to see

Florida, to the Gulf. That outstanding verification disputes are resolved "in a way that is satisfactory to all concerned." them in suicide attacks on mer-

chant ships or naval vessels. Britain has maintained warships in the Gulf for several years to escort British tankers halfway up the Gulf to Bahrain. The French recently have stationed an aircraft carrier battle group in the North Arabian Sea south of the Strait of Horaniz, the entry to the 550-mile-

and available for nonbelligerent legal commerce," particularly oil

tling all U.S. and Soviet intermediate-range missiles in stages over

As a result, the Pershings theoretically would become technically LONDON -A Royal Air Force obsolete before the five-year period McDonnell Douglas F-4 Phantom was up, according to West German warplane crashed during a training exercise Wednesday, killing its pi-

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The president pointed out that it

Mr. Reagan, who in recent weeks

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tives in the coalition. who have supported keeping the Pershings and replacing them with the refrain from moderning their batterield missiles and to remove the remove. updated missiles, were notably quithe threat to We Germany posed et about Mr. Kohl's announce by such weapon

The Christian Social Union, the West Germay has a special insmall, Bavarian-based affiliate of terest in seeinguts in the Warsaw Mr. Kohl's Christian Democrats, Pact's arsena of those missiles, had no comment, a party spokeswoman in Bonn said.

Deadly Snakes Stolen

MOUNT MORRIS, Michigan - About 350 reptiles, including 17 "very deadly" snakes were stolen late Tuesday from a truck near here. The police issued a statewide alert Wednesday in an effort to found empty.

The local police said the caged reptiles were stolen from a rented U-Haul van that also carried guns and \$16,000 worth of solar cells and furniture.

which have piges of less than 300 miles and refesent a special danger to West Jermany as NATO's front-line sac.

But Mr.Kohl did not demand stead."

Concession on battlefield missiles

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Weinberger Says West's Forces in Gulf Will Grow

By John M. Broder Los Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger says that Western military power in the Gulf will continue to grow, and he has indicated that the United States and several other nations are planning to send additional warships and men to the region.

Without naming specific countries. Mr. Weinberger suggested in an interview on Tuesday that European countries other than Britain and France, which have dispatched six minesweepers and an aircraft carrier to the region, will soon be sending military vessels to the Gulf.

"I think that what we have now s sufficient to do what is required today, but that is by no means static or final. Mr. Weinberger said. The important thing is to have increased capabilities" in the

Officials in The Netherlands are ciose to a decision to send several minesweepers to the region, Pentagon sources said, and Italy is debating whether to contribute to the Gulf force. Mr. Weinberger also hinted that other European nations might be considering joining the force and he said that Japan might help finance the operation.

Japan, which gets almost two-thirds of its oil from Gulf states, is prohibited by its constitution from

nilitary involvement overseas.

The United States has 47 ships and 25,000 men in and around the Gulf or steaming toward the region, according to Pentagon figures and independent estimates. The force includes an aircraft carrier, a battleship, a helicopter carrier and several amphibious assault ships carrying an estimated 1,800 U.S.

Marines. A second baule group based around the aircraft carrier Ranger is reportedly preparing to enter the region. Military sources said Tuesday that the battleship Iowa, stationed at Norfolk, Virginia, has been alerted to prepare for possible

Gulf duty.
In addition, sources said, the navy is preparing to send five high-speed hydrofoil missile patrol boats from their port at Key West,

The vessels could be used to intercept Iranian speedboats, which are equipped with machine guns and have been shadowing U.S. warships and commercial vessels in the Gulf. Iran is suspected of using the speedboats to lay mines in the Iranians could be preparing to use

• That the treaty is ratified and • That the two superpowers "stick to the agreed-upon schedule for the removal of their weapons "In that case," Mr. Kohl continued, "I am prepared to declare already today that, with the final

long (890-kilometer-long) Gulf. removal of all Soviet and American Mr. Weinberger said the Westintermediate-range missiles, the ern naval buildup was designed to Pershing-IA missiles will not be modernized, but dismantled in-

Warplane Crashes in Wales The Associated Press

ing air, missile and mine attack ties in that area. And I think that's cause we can't discuss that in any from both sides in the Iran-Iraq taking place."

war, which began in September Mr. Weinberger said there was not a multinational agreement to coordinate Western military activities in the Gulf.

"It doesn't have to be a group under American command," he tributed port facilities, air bases, forces and Iran, the greatest risk in and some air attacks.

from Kuwait and other avowany joint command. The important ern ships.

an-sponsored terrorism, the deleave increased capability with the command and the com

He also said the United States was grateful for military assistance from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and other small states along the western shore of the Gulf. He did not name the Arab countries that have con-

detail or accuracy without losing Mr. Weinberger said. If such aid were to become public, he imtargets of Iranian terrorism or internal subversion.

Despite the potential for direct

from Kuwait and other avowedly said. "It doesn't even have to be a fuel or other support for the West- the region remains franian or franiships and warplanes were not able to deter such attacks, nor were they sent there for that purpose.

"The ships are there to get interplied, the nations could become national nonbelligerent commerce in and out of international waters Mr. Weinberger said. "And that's what is being done. The risk to that military conflict between Western mission are mines, small boats"

Iran Rejects Arab League Demands on Cease-Fire

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NICOSIA, Cyprus — Prime Minister Mir Hussein Moussavi of Iran rejected on Wednesday any compromise with Iraq in the Gulf War, the official Iranian press agency reported.

The report by the Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, followed an Arab League resolution Tuesday urging Tehran to accept a United Nations ceasefire call by Sept. 20 or face a review of diplomatic relations by Arab

The agency made no specific In Washington, Pentagon mention of the Arab League decision, which was announced after an administration had decided to au-

emergency foreign ministers' meet-

But it quoted Mr. Moussavi as saying in Tehran that the United States, by intervening in the Gulf, was seeking to impose what the agency termed "an ignominious peace" on Iran "in collaboration with Arab reactionaries."

"We will never agree to such a peace," he was quoted as saying. Even a psychological war cannot make us accept a compromise to the benefit of the United States."

military personnel serving on ships operating in the Gulf, the Strait of Hormuz and a small portion of the lah gave the United States one Gulf of Oman. There were conflicting reports

thorize "imminent danger" pay bo-

Wednesday about U.S. naval escorts in the Gulf. Shipping sources told Agence France-Presse that U.S. Navy ships, sent to the Gulf to escort reflagged Kuwaiti tankers, were idled Wednesday by sandstorms and poor visibility.

The Associated Press, however, quoted sources as saying that a U.S.-escorted convoy of Kuwaiti

nuses of \$110 a month for U.S. the coast of Saudi Arabia. In Lebanon, a statement by the militant pro-Iranian group Hezbol-

> week to withdraw its forces from the Gulf or face the possibility that U.S. and Saudi Arabian facilities would become "a mass grave to all "We call on all the sons of Hez-

bollah and the oppressed people to face their responsibilities," Hezbollah said in the statement, which was delivered to a Western news agency in Beirut. "We urge them to confront the filthy Saudi regime

and persecute all Americans." (AP. WP. UPI, AFP)

LATIN: Nicaraguan Rebels May Suggest a Suspension in U.S. Aid

(Continued from Page 1) fuel, in a war that could drag on

Talks with rebel officials and the sight of the crowded conference rooms and ringing telephones of their political office in Miami convey a strong sense that the contras know they have entered a decisive phase in their six-year struggle

against the Sandinists. "This is the first and probably last chance for a political opening in Nicaragua since presidential elections there in 1984," Mr. Cesar said. "We have to take advantage

Rebel officials said their chief objectives will include persuading foreign governments and Congress to maintain pressure on the Sandinists to loosen their grip on pow-

Several rebei officials, speaking in interviews, outlined what appears to be the emerging strategy of

On the political front, they said,

and policies with the remnants of last through December. the internal opposition parties and trade unions inside Nicaragua. SUDDOLL

In an interview this week in Managua. Virgilio Godoy, the leader of the opposition Independent Lib-eral Party, said he believed that the Sandinists would offer only a partial political opening, chiefly in-tended to mollify international opinion.

But Carlos Salgado, head of the largest independent Marxist trade union a member of the Nicaraguan Socialist Party and a strong but critical supporter of the revolution. said the contras could make major gains under the new peace accord.

On the military front, the rebels said they would seek a negotiated cease-fire that would permit their troops to survive without dismantling their army until major political changes have occurred inside

Nicaragua. Senior rebel officials

they will try to coordinate actions said they have enough supplies to A request to Mr. Reagan to sus-

pend military aid while the accord peace accord. They will also send delegations to is being tested would be intended, Latin America and Europe to seek rebel leaders said, to show that they were serious about exploiting the opening the accord offers.

seek a congressional vote to renew

aid to the rebels under the condition that the aid would not be sent if the Sandinists complied with the

"The U.S. Congress has a great responsibility to help see that the Sandinistas comply," a rebel offi-cial, Aristides Sanchez, said. "If the But senior rebel officials said Congress backs us with support that at the same time they would conditioned on changes inside Nicask Mr. Reagan and Mr. Wright to aragua, then we have a chance

Bulgaria Tightens AIDS Safeguards

VIENNA - The number of Bulgarians infected with the virus which causes AIDS has risen to 19, and health authorities have announced mandatory testing for pregnant women, the Bulgarian news agency said Wednesday.

positive for the virus in the past nine foreigners have tested positive week, BTA said. Bulgaria has im- for the virus and been deported, the plemented extremely strict mea- weekly English language Sofia sures for foreigners, including de- News said in its last issue.

portation for those who test positive. Foreigners applying to stay in Bulgaria for longer than a month are required to take a blood

So far only one Bulgarian has developed the symptoms of acquired immune deficiency syndrome, and one person, a foreigner, Three Bulgarians have tested has died from the disease. Twenty-

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SCIENCE

Tools Indicate First Migration

By John Noble Wiltord

ISCOVERY of what appear to be crude stone tools raises tors migrated out of Africa at least I million years earlier than previ-

ously thought.

The new thinking is inspired by reports from British archaeologists working in northern Pakistan that they have found 2-million-year-old chopping wols believed to have been made by early humans.

If such a significantly earlier time of migration is established, it would presumably mean that a more primitive species in the hu-man lineage. Homo habilis, was the first to leave Africa and did so soon after learning to make stone tools. The prevailing view now is that the later Home erectus, which had a considerably larger brain capacity, initiated the human migration about a million years ago.

Paleoanthropologists were gen-erally cautious and skeptical in commenting on the report. The find was reported in the British magazine New Scientist.

Members of the British archaeological Mission in Pakistan described finding eight stone pieces. all of quartzite, that appeared to have been fashioned into chopping tools. A member of the expedition, Robin Dennell, who is a geologist from the University of Sheffield, in England, was quoted as saying that the multifaceted flaking made a "very convincing" case for a human hand in shaping the pebble

tool. Helen Rendell and Ernie Hailwood, geologists from the University of Sussex and the University of Southampton, respectively, esti-

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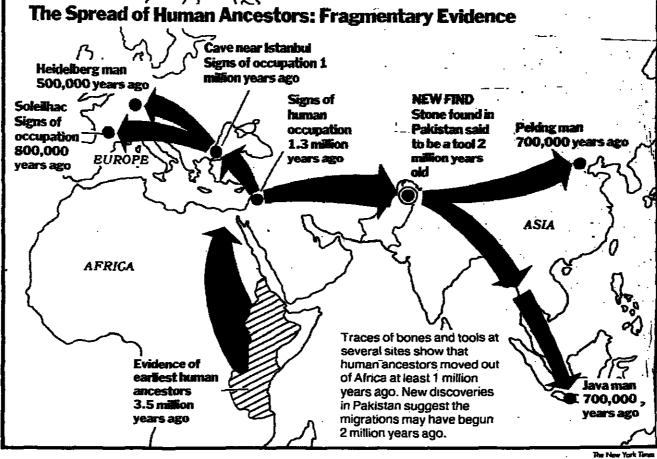
Valley, southeast of Rawalpindi. But Sally McBrearty, an anthro pologist at William and Mary Cole who has done research in Pakistan. complains that the discoverers "have not supplied enough evidence that the specimens are that old and that they are

Dr. McBrearty is skeptical of the 2-million-year date because the discovery was made in a river plain, which is "not a good solid strati-graphic context." The sediment layers there have been so mixed up by flowing water over time that geologists have a hard time determining whether artifacts are em-bedded in their original sediments. Anthropologists also noted that pebbles fracture easily as they roll through flowing water, resulting in shapes that can be mistaken for

artifacts. Another skeptic, Milford Wolpoff, a professor of anthropology at the University of Michigan, said: hate to use absence of evidence as an argument. But where's the evidence for what these people were doing for that intervening mil-

Scientists have found no fossils artifacts, or other unequivocal traces of human migration into Asia or Europe before I million years ago. "We can't prove any-thing beyond a million," said David Pilbeam, a paleoanthropologist at Harvard University.

According to current knowledge fossils, the earliest humanlike



think we know about as well as we decessors, arose in Africa and mithat our branch of the evolutionary tree grew in Africa," Stephen Jay arose in more than one place. Gould, a Harvard paleontologist and historian of science, has writ-

The earliest appearance of the genus Homo, the direct human anmillion years ago, when Homo 600,000 years old. erectus emerged. Archaic forms of In Europe, the o

know anything in paleontology grated elsewhere though some argue that variants of Homo sapiens Early human traces in Asia and Europe are few and far between,

The oldest known skeletal remains of Homo erectus outside Africa are those specimens usually referred to cestral line, occurred about 25 mil- as Peking Man and Java Man. Pelion years ago with Homo habilis. king Man fossils found at the Lan-This species disappeared about 1.6 tian site in China are at least In Europe, the oldest known hu-

of fossils, the earliest humanlike ancestors, known as hominids, appeared in eastern and southern Africa at least 3.5 million years ago. "I believe Homo sapiens, like its presented in the sapiens appeared and outperforms about 300,000 years ago. Most scientists believe Homo sapiens, like its presented in the Massif Central of the sapiens appeared and outperforms about old jaw found near Heidelberg. The earliest undisputed site of European hominid occupation is at Soleil-hac. In the Massif Central of France, where 800,000-year-old tools and animal remains have heen excavated

The Americas were the last to be nhabited. Until recently it was beleved that the ancestors of the Indiscoveries in South America indi-

ran through the Middle East, but only recently have archaeologists begun to dig up any strong evidence. Scientists from Hebrew University in Jerusalem have found many kinds of stone tools at a site called Ubeidiya on the southeastern shore of the Sea of Galilee. F. Clark Howell, a professor of anthropology at the University of California, at Berkeley, said:

old, perhaps 1.3 million years old." Dr. Howell plans to conduct a detailed investigation next June of a cave near Istanbul that could also be one of the oldest known sites of early humans outside Africa. Pregists estimated could be I million

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their African bomelands. "Until years, with the coming and going of curred as early as 32,000 years ago.

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years ago, the human ancestors with three atoms of hydrogen, might have been simply following forming ammonia. The hydrogen the animals they hunted for subsisspread exodus of animals from Africa about that time, possibly the result of climatic change

If the migrations began about 1.5 million years ago, which is Dr. Howell's hunch, the reasons could be partly economic and environmental but could also include the apability of the recently evolved Homo crectus.

Dr. Wolpoff suggested that the early migrants had moved out of liminary excavation of Yarimbur- the African highlands and somegaz Cave turned up pebble tools how adapted to living along the and what appeared to be a hearth coasts, both a response to environin sediments that Turkish geolo-mental conditions and a manifestation of increasingly humanlike versatility. The coasts, he said, were dians first arrived from Asia no Scholars have yet to develop any "their highway to the rest of the later than 15,000 years ago. But elaborate theories to explain why world." But because of fluctuating early humans began to scatter from sea levels over the last 2 million

Inventor Working To Process Cheaper Nitrogen Fertilizer

New York Times Service AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts - An Israeli inventor sees a new relationship among three disparate problems: Many farmers around the world cannot afford the nitrogen fertilizer they need; the long-term supply outlook for oil and gas, the key source of nitrogen (ertilizer, is poor, and many utilities have electricity they cannot sell, at least in the short term.

The inventor, Moshe Alamaro, says he has a system to ameliorate all three problems. It is based on a technology used in Norway earlier this century but has refinements that more than double its efficiency. The system makes the basic component of nitrogen fertilizer from the nitrogen in air, using only dectricity and water.

Nitrogen is plentiful — room-temperature air is 80 percent nitro-— but nearly all of it is in an gen — but nearly all of it is in an inert form that plants cannot use. Since World War I the dominant method for making nitrogen fertil-izer, called the Haber-Bosch process, is to "fix" the nitrogen atom ource is usually naphtha, which is a petroleum derivative, or natural

But Mr. Alamaro, an Israeli aerolautical engineer who studied energy management in Oslo, proposes o revive museum-piece technology that was used in Norway from 105 until 1940, the Birkeland

The process uses an electric arc to heat he air to above 2,000 degrees Flurenheit (1,088 degrees centigrad), at which temperature nitrogen ind oxygen combine to form nitriloxide. The air is cooled rapidly, blore the nitric oxide decomposes less useful forms. One form of feilizer that can be produced is raric acid. Another is calcium nitite, made by neutralizing the nitre acid with low-grade

Mr. Alamah is studying a system for makin nitrogenous fertilizer without the imestone

used actually fixes nitrogen into usable forms. Mr. Alamaro believes he can raise the efficiency to at least 10 percent, in part by incorporating improvements in the technology of turning heat into electricity, recycling some of the heat given off in the cooling, to generate more electricity for use in the electric arc.

His company, Deshen International Inc. plans to put the entire mechanism on a truck or railroad car, allowing it to be transported to the site where the fertilizer is needed to eliminate transportation costs, which add substantially to the cost of the product.

Jerome H. Marten, vice president for technology of the Davy McKee Corporation, which builds conventional fertilizer plants, observed: "All classic chemical-process economics say that below a certain size, things get more expensive. It seems to fly in the face of

He added that the power demand of the proposed system, two megawatts, would limit its use to areas with high-voltage power lines, and that the fertilizer produced was in a form got generally used by farms, in an amount that would be too small for many opera-

No prototype of the nitrogen plant has been built, but several utility companies have expressed strong interest, and Boston Edison gave the system an honorable mention in a recent contest it ran for inventions using electricity.

Mr. Alamaro says his process will make 107 grams (3.5 ounces) of nitric oxide per kilowatt-hour, compared with about 36 grams under the old process. To break even, cents a kilowatt-hour.

Retail electric customers in the Eastern United States pay five to eight times that much, but in other places, power goes begging at far lower prices. Hydro-Quebec, for example, sometimes dumps billions of gallons of water over dams beside idle hydroelectric turbines and sells electricity for less than 2 cents a kilowatt-hour. It has expressed In the Birkelad and Eyde pro-interest in having Deshen as a cus-cess, only 4 perint of the energy tomer.

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IN BRIEF

Ozone Holein Arctic Eases, For Now

LONGYEARBYENSpitsbergen-Norway (AP) — A Norwegian scientist who detected an zone "hole" last year over this remote arctic region says the atmosphie apparently has recovered.

But the physicist, Soeri H.H. Larsen, and other atmospheric specialists say the arctic skies mist be watched more closely for the possible

onset of a severe ozone opletion, like the one in Antarctica. Ozone suld be even thre troubling at the North Pole, since the

world's population concentrions lie nearer the Arctic Circle.

Spurred by the ozone probem at the South Pole, representatives of 31 nations will meet Sept. 14 in lontreal to seek final agreement on cutting back production of chlorofluocarbons, industrial chemicals that can deplete ozone in the stratosphie.

The upper-atmosphere layer ozone, an unstable form of oxygen, is essential to life on Earth, sincit absorbs much of the sun's harmfut ultraviolet radiation. Each only percent decrease in ozone at high altitudes means 200,000 addition cases of skin cancer worldwide every year, the U.S. Environmental Projection Agency has estimated.

Breast-Feeding and Cancer Risk

BOSTON (UPI) — A study involving more than 10,000 women found that those who breast-fed their babic significantly reduced their risk of getting ovarian and breast cancer, searchers from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said. The researchers said that the study shows women who nursed their infan had fewer cases of the cancers than did women who had children but id not breast-feed. Studies have shown that having babies reduces a womn's risk of both cancers, but this is the first major study to indicate brest-feeding also plays a role in

cancer prevention.

"Breast-feeding produces hormonal changet," said Dr. Nancy Lee, an epidemiologist from the centers. "Discoving this association gives us more knowledge about these very dangerds concers." She said doctors have speculated that breast and ovarian caper hay be linked to hormonal changes in the body. al changes in the body.

Bacteria Killing Dolphinsin U.S.

NORFOLK, Virginia (NYT) — Common bactria normally found in coastal waters have recently become lethal to the bottle-nosed dolphins that swim and feed along the short normalization of New Jersey, according to Dr. Frank R. Geraci, a marine pathologist.

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However, Dr. Geraci, the leader of a learn of scientists that is investigating the deaths of more than 200 dolphins since My 1, added that the scientists still did not know what was weakening the olphins and making them susceptible to bacteria with which they usually we in harmony. Dr. Geraci said the search for what weakens the diphins, possibly a Or. Geraca said the search for what weakens the olphins, possibly a virus, a biological toxin, some man-made pollution own immunological disorder, would continue. "We'll be in this area as ing as required to unravel the mystery," he said. The bacteria blamed for he deaths include streptococci and a large number of vibrio bacteria that the animals usually carry in their systems and that are found in the occan.

U.S. Dentist Experiments With Laser

WALLED LAKE, Michigan (UPI) - The fear of the depist chair may die down if an experimental laser proves successful in leating tooth decay and replaces the dreaded drill. Dr. Terry Myers is treating tooth decay with a laser undr an experi-

Dr. Terry Myers is treating toom decay with a laser unity an experimental program approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. He's believed to be the first dentist in the United Stateswith FDA approval to experiment on volunteer patients. The FDA hich must approve a medical device before dentists or physicians use it, levaluating

approve a medical device before dentists or physicians use it, itevaluating the laser. "It's noiseless, quicker, more effective and doesn't return use of an anesthetic or painkille." Dr. Myers told The Detroit Nev.

Myers said his laser poess little risk to the patient and rikes tooth enamed more resistant to occay. However, dental schools he urged additional research before laters are widely used. One researcher determined laser dentistry was "impractical" and posed a risk of amage to

Scientists Discover Distant Quasir

PITTSBURGH (UPI) - A taum of American and British cientists has found a quasar whose light reached Earth after traveling for 3 billion years through space, making it doe of the most distant objets ever observed in the universe.

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The quasar—extremely bright light from deep space—was spotted by the researchers in New South Walest Australia, the University of Pittsburgh announced recently. The observation of the quasar will allow scientists for the first time to study in deall the properties of the universe when it was young — or about 1 billion years old — and less than 20 percent of its present size, the university-said.

Scientists believe quasars are sources of very ligh energy in space. A single quasar can radiate the same amount of energy as 100,000 billion stars.

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WALL STREET WATCH

S&P Foresees a Record In Stock Splits This Year

By ELIZABETH M. FOWLER

New York Times Service EW YORK - A record number of companies are expected to split their stock this year, yet another indication of the bull market's strength. So far this year, Standard & Poor's Corp. said, 158 companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange have split their stocks, issuing additional shares to their stockholders. By the end of the year, the statistical and stock additional shares to their stockholders. year, the statistical and stock advisory service said, there may be as many as 250 stock splits, compared with 207 last year and 109 in both 1984 and 1985.

The number of splits is often a mirror of the overall condition of the market. In 1982, a lackluster year for equities, there were

only 64 splits. The next year, as the bull market came into full swing, there were 225 splits, the most ever recorded. Stock splits are a traditional side effect of a dramatically rising stock market, as compa-nies seek to hold their stock

prices down so they can con-

Noticeably absent from the list is an active stocksplitter: IBM.

tinue to attract small investors. Corporations generally prefer to split their stock once it passes the \$100 level, although there are exceptions. One company that appears to be considering a split is Royal Dutch roleum Co. Last week, Royal Dutch told S&P that its management was "not comfortable" with its stock price and might consider a split. The company's stock closed on Tuesday at \$134.25 a share.

Earlier this month, Exxon Corp., whose shares have been trading around \$100, announced a 2-for-! stock split, effective Sept. 14. And Wisconsin Energy Corp., a utility company, completed a 2-for-1 stock split at about \$50 a share in June. Its shares closed on Tuesday at \$26.

Exxon and Wisconsin Energy were among five dozen stocks on a list of possible splitters published early this year by S&P.

STOCK split does not in itself affect the value of shareowners' holdings because it does not increase the proportional ownership of a company. As the number of shares outstanding rises, the price falls. If a stockholder owns 100 shares priced at \$50, and the company announces a 2-for-1 stock split, the investor receives a certificate for another 100 shares. After the

split, the shares might initially trade for about \$25.

However, splits tend to have a positive psychological effect on investors, and they usually indicate that the company is doing well. Large companies usually do not split their stock unless against the stock unless the s earnings are rising and management expects continued growth.

Stockholders like splits, said Joseph Tigue, assistant managing editor of The Outlook, S&P's weekly advisory publication.

Stocks often rise either in anticipation of a split, upon the announcement of a split, or sometimes in a delayed response after the split. In addition, the dividend is often raised before the split or shortly afterward, which encourages even higher stock prices. On S&P's list of possible splits are some high-priced issues such as Merck & Co., which has climbed from a 52-week low of \$122, to \$207.875 on Tuesday. Merck announced recently that its directors would consider a split in November.

Noticeably absent from the current S&P list of possibilities

International Busineess Machines Corp. "I don't think it will split this year," Mr. Tigue said. IBM said it would not comment on any plans for a split.

in the year before the split, iBM's shares had ranged from

Longtime holders of IBM have fared well from its stock splits. An owner of 100 shares worth \$14,450 in 1934 would today have at Tuesday's price of \$171.75 a share. The stock has risen from a fore joining Mr. Balladur's staff.

New Head At French Treasury

Paris Club Chief Succeeds Lebègue

PARIS - Jean-Claude Trichet, nairman of the so-called Paris Club of Western creditor nations, will succeed Daniel Lebegue as the new director of the French Treasury, the government said Wednes-

The Paris Club conducts debt negotiations with Third World countries, but Mr. Trichet, 44, has also been chief of staff to the finance minister, Edouard Balladur, since the conservative government led by Prime Minister Jacques Chirac came to power in March

Mr. Lebègue, who helped over-see a sweeping liberalization of French financial markets, is to become president of state-owned Banque Nationale de Paris. The bank is a leading candidate for privatization once the floatation of Compagnie Financière de Suez is completed in October, banking

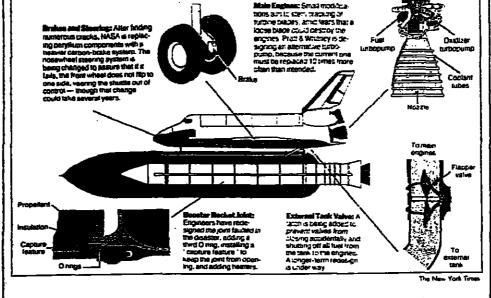
The moves, involving two of the most important posts for determining French economic policy, had

Mr. Lebegue, 44, has spent three years as Treasury director and pre-sided over such changes as the expansion of the money markets, the struments and the lifting of restrictions on credit and prices.

Mr. Trichet will be replaced as Mr. Balladur's chief of staff by Charles de Croisset, 43, a banker. He will take a leave of absence as head of the banking department at another state-owned bank, Credit Commercial de France, a Finance Ministry statement said.

While none of the moves is expected to lead to any significant policy changes, banking sources said, Mr. Trichet's appointment as Treasury director should add to the weight being given to international affairs in French policy-making.

Mr. Trichet will retain the chairmanship of Paris Club meetings. Between 1978 and 1981, he served as industrial affairs adviser to President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, and also headed the international



Morton Thiokol Faces a Major Test Rocket Firing in Utah Desert Is Chance at Redemption

By David E. Sanger New York Times Service

BRIGHAM CITY, Utah -Early Thursday afternoon a scrubby desert valley west of here will erunt in a two-minute stream of fire that Morton Thiokol Inc., maker of the space shuttle's solid rocket boosters, hopes will begin to erase memories of the last 19 months.

If all goes according to plan this will be the first full-scale test of the shuttle's boosters since they were redesigned after the Challenger disaster that killed seven astronauts. For the U.S. space program, the test firing will be the most critical step yet toward getting the shuttle flying again next summer. At Thioko's plant here at the foot of the Wasatch Mountains, the test is also viewed as a long-awaited chance

at redemption. "We've taken a lot of hits for a long time now," said U. Edward Garrison, the head of the compamy's aerospace group. "We want to show everyone, not just the local people lining the highway to see the test, that we are capa-

ble of doing the job."

Tuesday afternoon green-jacketed Thiokol engineers swarmed around the test site, rigging the last of more than 500 sensors that will monitor the booster's most critical components. Ex-perts, both inside and outside the company, expect that cadings from those sensors will confirm their belief that the booster is now fixed.

Thiokol itself - perhaps as cen- Space Administration to let the

tral a question for the shuttle. Challenger fly are gone now, eiprogram as the performance of new O-rings and redesigned rocket casings — is a far less exact science. The people who investigated the Challenger accident blamed not only Thiokol's hardware but also the company's management. Not surprisingly. have fizzled. there are conflicting views on how well the company has solved

'We've taken a lot of hits for a long time now. We want to show everyone that we are capable of doing the job.

— U. Edward Garrison, Aerospace group

its own problems since that subfreezing morning of Jan. 28. 1986, at Cape Canaveral, Flori-

Much has changed at Thio-kol's Wasatch operations, deliberately situated out of the way because of the volatility of the propellent that powers the shut-tle boosters and most U.S. nucle-

Virtually all of the midlever managers who overrode the warnings of their own engineers and succumbed to pressure from

ther retired or pushed aside. As the test firings near, Thiokol morale has picked up. Dissenters say they are now heard, if not always heeded. An inquiry by the FBI into charges of fraud related to the shuttle contract appears to

The company's stock, now up 50 percent from the day after the disaster to above \$50, continues to rise. So do its profits, though the space division's earnings have fallen by half. In Thiokol's fiscal fourth quarter, ended June 30, net income rose 21 percent, to \$36.4 million, on revenues of \$558 million.

"There's been an awful lot of progress, and some real intelli-gent people have been brought in," said Robert Ebeling, a senior engineer and former internal critic, who retired from Thiokol in June after a year of treatment for the visions of disaster that have haunted him since the day the Challenger blew up. "They're not about to make the same mistake twice."

At the same time, there are

subtle signs that the troubles of the company are not yet behind it. Little in Thiokol's basic management structure has changed, and some engineers say they are fearful that the atmosphere that ma problems could return as pressure numes up to get the shutte flying again. Although the aerospace group has won about \$250 million in new contracts since the disaster, some big

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Ms. Iversen said.

U.S. Trade Gap Reached Record In 2d Quarter

Compiled Ir. Our Stuff From Departus merchandise trade deficit widened to \$39.53 billion in the April-June age price per barrel hit \$17.32 after quarter, the largest deficit on requarter, the largest deficit on record for a three-month period, the government reported Wednesday. The increase followed a deficit of

\$38.76 billion, the previous record. in the January-March quarter, the Commerce Department reported. The department had earlier reported that the first-quarter deficit was \$38.33 billion. The report basically repeats the

trade figures announced monthly by the Commerce Department, ex-cept that the balance-of-payments method used for this report excludes military aid while adding traffic in nonmonetary gold and the freight costs involved in trade with Canada.

Analysis saw the report as evidence that the U.S. trade picture was not improving, despite more than two years of declines in the value of the dollar against other key currencies. A weaker dollar makes imports more expensive for Americans and U.S. goods more competi-

But despite a dollar worth only 40 to 50 percent of what it was worth in mid-1985, imports in the April-June quarter increased 4 percent to \$99.5 billion. What makes the latest report im-

portant is that it revealed that import volume rose 2 percent between April and June while the volume of exports leaving U.S. shores increased 4 percent.

"The dollar's depreciation is continuing to drive up import prices and import value, but there's very little easing of import penetra-tion," said Sara Johnson of Data Resources Inc. in Lexington, Massachusetts. "I think that's really the source of the problem.

"We have to run twice as fast to stav in place."

The report "indicates how deepseated this trade problem is " said Lawrence Chimerine, president of Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates, an analysis firm in Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania.

The largest increase in imports was in passenger cars from Asia. Imports of Japanese automobiles were up 15 percent while imports from Korea soared 90 percent.

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Compiled In. Our Stail From Departures barrels brought into the United WASHINGTON — The U.S. States daily rose to 0.32 million

Nonpetroleum imports in-See DEFICIT, Page 15

Bonn Says Surplus in Trade Grew

By Ferdinand Protzman International Herald Terbane
FRANKFURT — West Germa-

ny reported Wednesday that its merchandise trade surplus widened to a provisional 9.9 billion Deut-sche marks (\$5.41 billion) in July from 8.3 billion DM in June.

But economists said those figures masked a continuing slowdown in real exports triggered by the mark's rise against the dollar.

The July surplus shrank in comparison with July 1986, when the figure was 10.9 billion DM. And the country's current account surplus, a wider measure of trade, narrowed to a provisional 4.8 billion DM in July from a revised 5.4 bil-lion DM in June and 6 billion DM

The June figure had been previ-ously reported as 4.8 billion DM. Current account includes services, tourism, transportation and other items such as interest and profits

earned abroad. The July figures showed a growing appetite in West Germany for foreign goods resulting from higher private consumption. Imports rose 5 percent, to 35.6 billion DM from 33.8 billion DM in June, while exports climbed 8 percent, to 45.5 billion DM from 42.1 billion DM. But economists said that exports were not likely to contribute to growth in West Germany's gross national product this year, project-

ed at 1 to 1.5 percent. Because of the mark's strength and rising private consumption, imports are rising at a faster rate than exports in real terms, resulting in a decline in net exports, said Oil imports accounted for \$1.3 Ulrich Wittman, an economist at Bank in Liechtenstein GmbH

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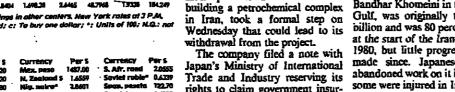
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bankrupicies on projects in foreign countries, was to expire Thursday. MITI sources said Mitsui was Pengeot Closes Plant

looking for ways to withdraw from man for Mitsui denied that the move was aimed at paving the way for the group's exit from the pro-

"It's just a technical problem. This doesn't mean that we've decided to withdraw from the project," he said.

Mitsui heads Iran Chemical Development Co., a group of Japanese companies with a major share in the 50-50 project with Iran. Since an agreement was signed in 1971, Japanese companies have invested 320 billion yen (\$2.25 billion) in the project, and the Iranian government has spent 280 billion yen.

The Mitsui spokesman said the move was aimed at covering the company's 135 billion yet invest-ment if it decided to abandon the project. Under the law governing overseas insurance. Mitsui must prove damage to the project if it chooses to give it up, officials said.

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Mitsui Seeks Safeguard On Investment in Iran Denies It Plans Eventual Withdrawal From Petrochemical Plant Venture

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - Mitsui & Co., the spokesman said. main partner in a consortium made since. Japanese engineers May. abandoned work on it in 1984 after

fused to allow Japanese officials liversen, an economist at American into the site and has declined to Express International Bank in Lonspecify the damage to the plant.

losses caused by wars, coups and ing the project, the Mitsui spokes-· -(Reuters, AFP)

A British subsidiary of Peugeot the project without damaging Ja-pan's ties with Iran. But a spokes-ended a long-standing contract to ended a long-standing contract to supply car kits to Iran, saying that Iran did not have the foreign exchange to pay for them, the International Herald Tribune reported from London.

> because of Iran's failure to pay for stocks due for shipment, but this ble - and declining - value. week we've permanently terminated our Iran manufacturing capability by dismantling machinery."

Iran "had been fairly irregular." He said that in the past, Iran had paid irrevocable letters of credit lodged in London by Iran's central bank. But after a £5 million payment toward the end of last year, the company had not received due compensation for stock on hand.

Pengeot Talbot has supplied more than a million car kits to Iran "It's so hard to prove it. We have in the past 18 years, but the volume no idea how much damage there is of shipment has been erranc. Last at the plant site because Iranians year, 13,000 kits were delivered.

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THE ESTABLISHMENT TRUST

Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders of "The Extablishment Trust" a SICAV organized under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourge, will be held at the offices of Kredienbank S.A. Luxembourgeoise, 43, houleward Royal, Luxembourgeoise, 44, houleward Royal, 44, ho at 11.00 a.m. on September 9th, 1987, specifically for the following purposes:

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The conduct to the shareholders' meeting shall be governed by a quorum of 50% of the outstanding capital. In absence thereof, a second meeting will have to be held within one month's time. Resolutions at the shareholders' meeting shall be passed by a majority of two third of those present or represented and voring. Each share is entitled to one vote. A shareholder may act at any meeting by proxy.

By order of the Board of Directors

Debtor Nations Still Able to Twist Bankers' Arms

LONDON - Debtor countries still have enough muscle to win concessions from creditors despite a new hard line that banks have taken toward Third World loans. according to bankers and econowould never let us in," the Mitsui mists.

As proof, they cited Argentina's The plant, begun in 1973 at ability to secure generoos terms in Bandhar Khomeini in the northern a \$34 billion debt package complet-Gulf, was originally to cost \$3.5 ed on Friday — the first such deal billion and was 80 percent finished since banks effectively began writat the start of the Iran-Iraq war in ing down the value of billions of 1980, but little progress has been dollars of Third World debt in

"It shows the banks are realizing some were injured in Iraqi attacks, that if you push too much, you The Iranian government has re- don't get anything," said lngrid

Some bankers and economists The end of the Iran-Iraq war is said that the deterioration in value provided by MITI, which covers an absolute condition for continuof Third World loans since the start of the writedowns, which were supposed to shift the balance of power back to the banks, shows that

> bankers are gloomier than ever. The writedowns, an effective were worth less than face value, allowed the banks to sell this debt more easily, in a small but growing market, to investors willing to assume the collection risk.

Among other things, the move was intended to free the banks An official at Peugeot Talbot in was intended to free the banks Birmingham said. "We already sus-from much of the pressure debtors pended production in December could wield. But the loans, sold at a discount, suddenly have a very visi-

The Argentine package postpones the payment date on some \$30 billion of debt, out of Argenti-The official said payment from na's total of about \$53 billion. It ments or a joint debtors' stand with

includes \$1.95 billion of new bank loans and \$2 billion of standby ments on \$68 billion of debt due to Citicorp, the biggest in the United foreign banks in February, out of States, was to set aside billions of loans and short-term trade credits. It puts off the due date on the rescheduled loans as much as 19

years, and gives Argentina seven years before any money at all has to The interest rate is pegged at 13/16 of a percentage point above the benchmark London interbank offered rate. Libor, the rate at

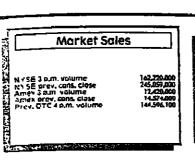
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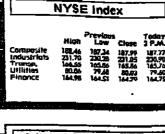
its total foreign debt of about \$112 dollars from their profits to cover possible losses The price for discounted loans was hardly affected by Brazil's action, but they have fallen by around

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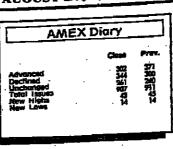


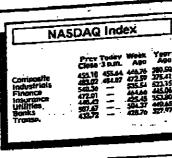
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Dow Falls Amid Profit-Taking NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange rapidly extended their losses in active trading Wednesday after drifting at lower

levels for much of the session. According to preliminary figures, the Dow Jones industrial average fell 20.57 to 2,701.85. The average had racked up 25.35 points to a record high on Tuesday.

Volume was 195.9 million shares, down from

213.48 million Tuesday. At 3 P.M., declines led advances by an 8-7 ratio.

Prices were mixed in active trading of American Stock Exchange issues.

Traders said prices came under pressure from refit-taking after opening higher or, a firmer dollar and steady bond prices. When the dollar relinquished its early strength, equity selling picked up as investors thought it prudent to cash in on some of the market's recent gains. Traders said that a shaky start for the influen-tial IBM helped wipe out the stock market's

A Kidder Peabody & Co. analyst, William Easterbrook, cut his earnings estimates for the computer giant Tuesday. And there was a report early Wednesday that an analyst at Salomon Brothers, Marc Schulman, cut his near-term recommendation for the stock from a

"buy" to a "hold."

At 3 P.M., RJR Nabisco and Philip Morris
advanced after posting big gains Tuesday on
news that the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston ruled that plaintiffs cannot challenge the adequacy of federal laws governing health warnings on cigarette packages.

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IBM Lower on Rating Change

NEW YORK — The share price of Interna-tional Business Machines Corp. fell Wednesday after a reported change by Salomon Brothers in its rating of the stock from a buy to a hold.

The change in the recommendation briefly delayed trading in the company's stock as the market opened, IBM ended at 167%, down 4%, and was the most actively traded stock of the day

On Tuesday, Kidder Peabody removed IBM from its selected buy list and lowered its esti-mates of the company's earnings. But analysts said that the computer giant's outlook was still

Loews was up 6% to 87%. Salomon Brothers emphasized that the stock is the best buy in the tobacco group. Allegis was up 3 to 90%. Lufthansa said it was interested in buying the companion. ny's Hilton Hotel chain.

Among actively traded blue chips, AT&T, General Electric, American Express, General Motors and USX were all lower.

CBS was up 81/2 to 206 after Drexel Burnham Lambert added the stock to its buy list and raised its 1987 and 1988 earnings estimates for

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Lufthansa Considers Buying Hilton From Allegis

By Ferdinand Proteman state-owned airline, said Wednesday it was considering buying the est hotel chain in the world. the Hilton International hotel chain from Allegis Corp. of the

United States. Allegis is a travel services conglomerate centered around United Airlines, a Chicago-based carrier. A spokesman for Lufthansa confirmed news reports that the West German airline was considering entering negotiations to purchase the chain of luxury hotels. But he said that about 35 other companies also had expressed interest in acquiring

Nobel Unit Bidding for Danish Firm

The subsidiary, Casco Nobel AB, which makes paints and adhe-ives, said it is offering 745 kroner o holders of class A shares and 345 aroner to holders of B shares. The

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weak earnings while the Nobel sub-sidiary has performed strongly. In

jumped 74 percent to 279 million Swedish kronor (\$44 million at curent exchange rates) from 160 mil- er claims have been satisfied.

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The Hilton International chain Lufthansa would finance the pur-FRANKFURT — Deutsche Consists of 90 hotels in 43 countries chase by selling 75 percent of the he said, "and this would broaden outside the United States and has hotel chain's shares to the public. It their range of travel-related ser-Lusthansa AG, West Germany's annual sales of around \$700 million. It claims to be the third-larg-

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The spokesman would not comment on a report in Die Welt, a West German newspaper, that Lufthansa began negotiations with Allegis four weeks ago on a possi-ble purchase of the hotels. Allegis also owns the Hertz car rental com-

West German press reports said that Allogis has put a price of just under 2 billion DM (\$1.09 billion) According to newspaper reports,

would retain a 10 percent stake in Hilton's equity while Deutsche Bank AG, West Germany's largest industry."

Lufthansa holds a 10 percent

Dancing prove sound.
"It could be quite a successful gether the right management for Hilton," said Mark Hawtin, a West German equities analyst for Ark Securities in London. "Lufthansa already has some ho- expanded global network.

Analysts were generally positive five luxury hotels in West Germa-about the possibility of a Lufth-ny. In conjunction with Swissair ansa-Hilton union should the fi- and British Airways, it holds 62 "It could be quite a successful But financing an acquisition of move depending on the financing Hilton could be a burden for and whether Lufthansa can put tochases of new aircrait and ar

NEW YORK - An announcement by the Swiss investor Alan E. Clore that he might seek control of Rorer Group Inc. could derail

stake in the Kempinski chain of percent of the 15-hotel Penta chain.

> Justice Department and the Federal Trade Commission for permission to increase his stake in Rorer to 25 percent. The SEC filing said that Mr. Clore had not

By Geraldine Fabrikant

New York Times Service

the drug company's proposed merger with A.H. Robins Co., analysts say.

Mr. Clore, who has previously bought large stakes in Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical

Corp., Allied Stores Corp. and Gulf Re-sources & Chemical Corp., disclosed late

Tuesday that he owns 12.2 percent, or 2.7 million shares, of Rorer's stock outstanding.

decided whether to increase his holdings in Rorer, which is based in Fort Washington,

Clore Stake in Rorer Puts Robins Merger at Risk

Pennsylvania. Stock in Rorer closed Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange at \$52.125, up 87.5

David MacCallum, an analyst with Hambrecht & Quist, said one major risk was that Mr. Clore's move might unravel the delicate negotiations between Rorer and Robins, the manufacturer of the Dalkon Shield contraceptive that has filed for bankruptcy protection. The company faces thousands of law-

suits concerning the intrauterine device.

The Rorer-Robins merger includes a \$725 million stock swap, a \$1.75 billion trust fund for the 320,000 Dalkon Shield claimants and In a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Mr. Clore said he had asked the a \$120 million trust fund for Robins's other creditors. The claimants have said they would

oppose the merger because they regarded their fund as inadequate. At least one arbitrager was skeptical that Mr. Clore would make a bid for the company.

"Aside from his acquisition of Gulf Resources, Clore has generally talked more than he has acted," said the arbitrager, who asked not to be named. He noted that Mr. Clore had said he would go after Revion Group Inc. and never did so.

Mr. Clore originally began to buy shares in the Rorer Group in the fall of 1985 and increased his stake to 15.1 percent. In May 1986, he began selling shares, and a year later his holdings were down to 12.3 percent.

The group led by Mr. Clore includes Nerval & Manor Inc., a company controlled by Mr. Clore, as well as two partnerships under

By Juris Kaza Special to the Herald Tribune
STOCKHOLM — A subsidiary
of Sweden's Nobel Industries AB
said Wednesday that in is making a
intendly bid for Sadolin & Holmbiad A/S, which analysts said values
the Danish paint ink adhesives the Danish paint, ink, adhesives and chemicals group at 625 million Darish kroner (\$89 million).

B snares have one-fifth of the A inare's vote.

In a joint statement, the companies said they had complementary activities on many markets, and would form a larger and more effi-S&H has been experiencing

1986, S&H had profit of only 3 million kroner on sales of 2.1 bilnon kroner. Two-thirds of sales were exports.
Casco Nobel's 1986 pretax profit

in kronor in 1985.

The nine Japanese banks reprerate from an originally proposed 1
"I absolutely think that both sent the coordinating group for 23 point premium, the bankers said.

companies will gain," said Henrik banks that the U.S. bank ap-Screen, an analyst at Privatbanken proached in June for help. BankA- plan to limit the maximum rate on

Bank Rejects TRI Offer for Fermenta

STOCKHOLM — A bid for Fermenta AB, the troubled Swedish biotechnology company, by Trans Resources Inc. of the United States has stalled after a major shareholder, Nordbanken, rejected the offer on Wednesday.

In July, Trans Resources, a private manufacturer of specialty fer- go through. tilizers, offered about 1.36 billion kronor (\$212 million) for Fermenta. TRI offered 12 kronor each for class A voting shares and 6.75 kronor for class B shares, which have restricted votes.

Nordbanken's vice president, Gunnar Lundh, said Wednesday that the offer for the B shares was too low. Nordbanken, which has a 10 percent stake in Fermenta, holds

TOKYO - Nine Japanese

banks have agreed to buy \$130 mil-lion in corporate securities that

BankAmerica Corp. will issue to strengthen its capital base, Japa-

A BankAmerica spokesman con-

firmed that agreement was reached

Wednesday between the banks to

buy a proportion of the total \$250

million of the subordinated capital

notes that the bank wants to issue.

only after other creditors with high-

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nese bankers said Wednesday.

largest shareholder, has agreed in principle to sell its 40 percent to TRI if at least 90 percent of the The many small investors who.

"The bid is to the shareholders' advantage," he said. "TRI has agreed to pay almost twice the real value of a company, which will per-haps carry on losing money." Gotabanken, another Swedish

bank, which holds about 11 percent of Fermenta, on Tuesday accepted TRI's offer of 12 kronor a share for still under police investigation. its A-share holding.

losses in loans to developing countries in the past year and has asked Japanese financial institutions for

support.

BankAmerica has also asked

about 40 Japanese insurance com-

ferred stock.

corporate debt that is repayable the interest rate on the notes to 1.25

panies to buy \$100 million in pre-

Bankers said that although the nine banks and BankAmerica have

already agreed to improve the

terms of the planned issue, the final

percentage point over the three-month London interbank offered

BankAmerica has agreed to raise

It has also agreed to give up its

terms may be changed.

shareholders accept the bid. Indus- along with Nordbanken, are the trivarden said that Fermenta's chief holders of B shares, have

bank debts were three times as high complained about the large price as the offering price, and its man-aging director, Kjell Brandstrom, shares. The minor shareholders aging director, Kjell Brandstrom, shares. The minor shareholders said he still hoped the deal would control 65 percent of equity in the TRI must present a formal offer

to all shareholders by Sept. 30.

At the end of last year, Fermen ta's auditors reported serious financial irregularities and said company profit forecasts had been misleading. The company was de-listed on the Stockholm bourse for misconduct in January, and it is

Fermenta's sales in 1986 totaled mainly B shares.

Fermenta owes Gotabanken — 5 union a constitution of 635 million kronor.

Industrivarden AB. Fermenta's its biggest bank creditor — 800 equivalent of 635 million kronor. billion kronor, and TRI's the

Electrolux Profit Climbs by 12%

STOCKHOLM - Electrolux AB said Wednesday that profit rose 12 percent in the first half to 1.50 billion kronor (\$234.8 million) from 1.34 billion kronor a year earlier,

It said that most of the increase came in the second quarter, anded June 30. Although a decline in the dollar limited the company's profit and revenue, sales advanced 41 percent, to 33.22 billion kronor from 23.57 billion in the first half of 1986.

The sales gain resulted largely from the acquisitions of White Consolidated Industries Inc., Industrie Zanussi SpA and Gotthard Nilsson.

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have each acquired 2,750,000 shares of

CDC Life Sciences Inc.

The undersigned acted as financial advisor in this transaction.

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August 25, 1987

Sony's Profit Plunged 59% In Quarter Ended June 30

Compiled by Our Staff From Duputches TOKYO - Sony Corp., the leading Japanese maker of consumer electronics, reported Wednesday that its group net profit fell 59 percent to 3.38 billion yen (\$23.6 million at current rates) in the last to 66.59 billion yen, reflecting quarter. The company blamed the yen's steep rise and intensifying competition overseas for the fall.

The earnings for the first fiscal quarter ending June 30 amounted to 14.62 yen (10.3 cents) per share and compares with 8.30 billion yen or 35.9 yen per share a year earlier. Sony's revenue fell 1.7 percent, to 311.4 billion yen from 316.9 billion yen. The dollar's plunge to about 142 ven from 169 a year ago reduced first-quarter sales by 25

billion yen, said Tsunao Hashimoto, Sony's managing director. The company also attributed the profit decline to a troubled world economy, including tension between Japan and its trading part-

"During Sony's first quarter the world economy was plagued by a variety of problems, including mounting trade friction, rising interest rates and uneasiness over the situation in the Gulf," the company

Sony, like the rest of Japan's electronics companies, said that its domestic shipments rose but that overseas sales, which make up two-Sales in the United States, ac-

counting for 30.8 percent of total sales, fell 6.8 percent from a year earlier because of the yen's rise, despite an increase in sales of compact disc players, audio tapes and floppy-disk drives.
Sales in Europe rose 4.6 percent

strong sales of video cameras for industrial use, audio equipment and color televisions, Mr. Hashimoto said.

Sales to other areas, including Southeast Asia, fell 6.7 percent to 49.65 billion yen. Domestic sales rose 2.2 percent

to 99.33 billion yea. Net profit also was reduced by a 81 percent drop in income from forward foreign exchange con-tracts, to 1.99 billion yen from 10.50 billion yen a year earlier, and by a decline in interest income.

Mr. Hashimoto said that Sony now expects group net profit to rise 30 percent to 32.50 billion yen in the full fiscal year ending March

The company had earlier forecast a net profit of 30 billion yen for 1987-88. Sony also raised its sales projection for 1987-88 to 1.38 trillion yen from an earlier forecast of 1.35 trillion.

Mr. Hashimoto said that the revised forecast reflected expectations of strong sales of home audio equipment and industrial-use video thirds of revenue, fell 3.5 percent. equipment, as well as the launch of new products. (Reuters, AP)

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1986 Highlights

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Head Office in Trieste (Italy)

1986 Consolidated Statement

| ASSETS (000 US Dollars) | 1986 | 1985 |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Building and farm property | 3,005,467 | 2,879,030 |
| Fixed-interest securities | 8,482,512 | 7,304,659 |
| Shares (including Associates) | 1,392,861 | 1,046,163 |
| Mortage and policy loans | 937.140 | 782,238 |
| Deposits with Ceding Companies | 393,134 | 410,867 |
| Bank deposits | 638,559 | 598,856 |
| Accounts receivable and other assets | 1.924,792 | 1,739,037 |
| Total | 16,774,465 | 14,760,850 |
| LIABILITIES (000 US Dollars) | | |
| Provisions for insurance liabilities | 12,992,032 | 11,395,193 |
| Reinsurance deposits | 189,241 | 179,999 |
| Other liabilities | 1,504,765 | 1,381,855 |
| Minority shareholders' interest | 262,039 | 215,839 |
| Shareholders' surplus | 1,529,984 | 1,364,059 |
| Profit for the year | 296,404 | 223,905 |
| Total | 16,774,465 | 14,760,850 |

All of above-listed figures have been converted at the rate of exchange of Lire 1.351.10 to the US Dollar.

Regional U.S. Banks Merge **For National Competition**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BOSTON - Shawmut Corp. and Hartford National Corp., two small U.S. banking companies, said they approved a merger Wednesday creating a banking and financial services organization with \$25 officials said. Shawmut holders will billion in assets and the intention to compete nationally.

The move is the latest in a spate of mergers of U.S. regional banking groups seeking to establish a stronger market position.

The merged company, to be called Shawmut National Corp. would become the 21st largest U.S. In a joint statement, the two exbank holding company, officials ecutives said that the two banks said. The merger must be approved by the companies' shareholders.

Shawmut Corp., with headquarters in Boston, has assets exceeding and consolidating costs. \$10 billion, 15 commercial banking subsidiaries and 15 additional sub- looked at troubled thrift institusidiary and affiliate companies tions in other parts of the country

don and Hong Kong. Hartford National Corp., based in Hartford, Connecticut, is the to approve the merger were expect-largest bank holding company in ed to be held in early autumn, offithe state with assets of over \$14 cials said.

billion and a New England banking franchise of 250 offices.

Each Harrford National shareholder will receive one share in the new company for each Hartford share held on the transaction date, ration for each share held. John P. LaWare, thief executive

offices of Shawmut, will become chairman of the new corporation and Joel B. Alvord, chief executive officer of Hartford National, will

would continue serving their present markets while expanding financial products and streamlining

Mr. Laware said the banks have with offices in 42 U.S. cities, Lon- and may acquire such an organiza-

tion soon. Individual shareholder meetings

- Gross premiums written by the Company totalled US\$ 2.641.6m of which USS 842.9m for Life and US\$ 1.798.7m for Non-Life.
- Total investments reached US\$ 6.072m showing a growth of 17.8%.
- Net investment income totalled US\$ 545.2m showing a growth of 16.8% at homogeneous conditions. The average yield has been 9.7%. Realized capital gains generated from the sale of securities amounted to US\$ 50.7m and from the sale for properties to US\$ 16.4m which were allocated to the reserve for realized capital gains to be reinvested.
- The year's profit, showing a growth of 26.7% over the previous year, amounted to US\$ 161.4m of which US\$ 86.4m for Life and US\$ 75m for Non-Life.
- Profit per share (Dollars) 1986 0.922 1.019 Dividend 0.444 0.444 Pay-out ratio (per cent)
- USS 67.7m from the year's profit were allocated to the extraordinary reserve. The shareholders' surplus including the
- year's profit reached US\$ 1.026.2m showing an increase of USS 116.5m over the previous year. • The dividend amounts to US\$ 0.444 per share, showing an increase of 40% over

1985 taking into account the increase of the

 The General Meeting approved the increase of the capital from 350 to 420 billion Lire through the issue of bonus shares - bearing dividends as from January 1, 1987 - to be assigned to the shareholders in the proportion of 1 new share for every 5 shares held.

capital from 250 to 350 billion Line.

- This Balance Sheet consolidates 49 insurance companies operating in some forty markets. (including 6 Europ Assistance companies). 17 financial, 20 property and 3 agricultural companies where Generali directly or indirectly holds more than 50% of the shares.
- Gross premiums amounted to US\$ 5.803.5m (+9%), of which US\$ 1.771.6 for Life and US\$ 4.031.9 for Non-Life. The geographical break-down is as follows: Italy 35%: other EEC Countries 41.2%; rest of Europe 19.2%; rest of the world
- Investments total US\$ 14.849.7m (+]4%).
- Investment income amounts to US\$ 1.296.9m (+9.5%) of which 65.9% is produced by fixed-interest securities. 16.4% property, 5% shares, 4.3% bank deposits and 8.4% other investments.
- The provisions for insurance liabilities amount to US\$ 12.992m (+14%).
- 1.754.5m and 87.2% belongs to the Parent Company, the minority interest being 12.8%.
- The profit for the year increased by 32.4% to USS 296.4m and originated from:

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| Parent Company's profit | 161,381 | 127,412 |
| Profit of the other Companies | | 130.928 |
| Consolidation adjustments | -19,028 | -10.939 |
| Consolidated profit | 333,900 | 247,401 |
| Minority interest | -37 <u>.49</u> 6 | -23,496 |
| Profit for the year | 296,404 | 223,905 |

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Australia's GDP Rose 2% in Year

Agence France-Presse CANBERRA. Australia - Australia's gross domestic product grew by 2 percent in the year to June 30, including a 4.9 percent gain in the final quarter, the Bureau of Statistics said



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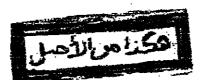
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CURRENCY MARKETS

m-Contra **Dollar Rises After Heller Remark**

Compiled by Our Stoff From Disputches LONDON — The dollar closed slightly higher Wednesday in Europe against most currencies, but off highs reached when a Federal Reserve Board governor, Robert Heller, said that he did not want the U.S. currency to fall further.

Short of figures, the dollar is being governed by statements." one dealer said, noting that Mr. Heller's comment reinforced the harrage of verbal interventions ide in the past 24 hours by U.S., Japanese and West German offi-

The dollar hit highs of 1.8335 Deutsche marks and 143.70 yen in afternoon trading when Mr. Heller, attending an economic forum in Austria, told reporters that a stable iollar was necessary to preserve the pasic confidence of domestic and oreign investors.

In quiet London trading, the dolar slipped from these highs to close it 1.8260 DM, still above Tues-

PARIS --- The dollar's drop has pushed the utsche mark higher against the French franc,

but the French government is eager to avoid a

devaluation within the European Monetary

System ahead of presidential elections in May,

economists and banking sources say.

"The government is not prepared to devalue six months before the election," one economist

or a Paris bank said. "That is not a signal of

Yet the French finance ministry is a major

force behind a number of proposed changes to

the EMS likely to be discussed at a routine

Several economists here and in London said

the pressure on the franc was not strong, noting

that it has remained atop the eight-currency

EMS mechanism that limits exchange-rate fluc-

The franc has gradually been ceding some

ground. Speculative pressure could occur swift-

ly with the franc, as happened when the Bank of

meeting next month, they noted.

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143.05 yen, which was actually below the Tuesday close of 143.15. The dollar also firmed slightly to 1.5040 Swiss francs from 1.5030. and to 6,1000 French france after

The British pound also eased to \$1.6155 from \$1.6180.

Although Mr. Heller's comments echoed those from other officials, dealers have reported little active dollar buying by central banks, aside from modest purchases on Monday by the Bank of Japan.

The dollar lost ground after the United States released its secondquarter trade figures, which day's finish at 1.8235 DM, and at showed the merchandise trade defi-

cit had widened to \$39.5 billion in the April to June period, the largest shortfall on record for a threemonth period,

Some analysts say that one reason why central banks in West Germany and Japan could be refrain-ing from more active dollar support is because of the resulting money supply problems. When the ank and the Bank of Japan sell their domestic currencies and buy dollars, they note, it swells the

local money supply. One analyst said that partly as a result of massive intervention this spring to support the dollar, money supply growth in West Germany and Japan overshot its targets.

In earlier European trading, the dollar was fixed higher in Frank-furt at 1.8267 DM from 1.8205 on Tuesday, and in Paris at 6.1000 French francs after 6.0855.

The dollar also edged higher to close in Zurich at 1.5040 Swiss francs from Tuesday's 1.4995.

DEFICIT:

(Continued from first finance page) creased \$2.5 billion, almost half of

it in autos. Exports also showed some strength in the quarter, increasing 5 OPEC Action

The United States got a fifth of its \$3 billion rise in exports from the agricultural sector. The volume of goods shipped rose 8 percent.

Agricultural exports increased 9 percent, to \$7.1 billion, while nonagricultural exports increased 5 percent to \$52.8 billion. The overall deficit with Japan expanded \$100 million in the April-

June quarter, to \$14.3 billion. The

deficit with Western Europe wid-

ened \$1 billion to \$6.9 billion. The

deficit with Canada shrank \$1.3 billon to \$2.6 billion. The Commerce Department reported that during the first half of the year the deficit was at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$156.56 billion, compared with a deficit of \$144.34 billion for all of 1986.

(Reuters, UPI, AP)

French Favor Structural EMS Changes, Not a Lower Franc

francs on Wednesday, its highest level since early June, although still well below its central EMS rate of 3.35386, and thus also below its upper limit that requires central bank interven-But Paul Chertkow, director of currency economics for London-based brokers Hoare Go-

vett, said a change of parities could still occur fairly soon. He noted mounting speculation that Europefinance ministers at a routine meeting in Nyborg, Denmark, on Sept. 12 and 13 could also discuss far-reaching technical changes to

France withdrew in early January from the

intervention required to keep the franc within its permitted EMS limits, economists noted.

The mark rose to a Paris fixing of 3.3436

the system. One of these changes would reduce the lira's permitted divergence band in the rate mechanism to 4 percent from the current 6 percent. Other currencies are allowed a 2.25 percent

Soles in Net 198s High Low 3 P.M. Ch'se

divergence limit from their central rates. Also, the ministers will discuss bringing the British pound into the exchange rate mechanism and dismantling Belgium's two-tier system, in use since the late 1940s.

In exchange for the concessions, in some cases less-than-popular with the governments involved, finance ministers are likely to discuss lifting the obligation to restore stability from the weakest-currency nation alone.

Instead of focusing on the divergence of one currency from another, Mr. Chertkow said that regulations would be strengthened that require central banks to act when currencies diverge greatly from a central rate against the Enropean Currency Unit, the European Community's currency basket.

There is now a tacit agreement that central banks will intervene in currency markets if a currency is trading beyond 75 percent of its theoretical maximum divergence from a central

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Oil Prices U.S. Posts Record Rise in N.Y. On Hopes of

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Oil prices rallied Wednesday in trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. topping the \$19 mark for the first time since last week, on reports that OPEC was taking steps to curb overproduction.

October contracts for West Texas Intermediate, the U.S. benchmark crude, were trading at \$19.22 at midday, up 58 cents.

Crude prices had closed just 4 cents higher Tuesday after fluctuating amid uncertainty over whether the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries would be able to rein in its output, which has been exceeding the needs of world mar-

"It appears the market has shaken off the emotion it had with OPEC's high production," said Bob Baker, an analyst at Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., on

Prices had been declining in re- any missile. sponse to reports that the 13-nation cartel had been exceeding its overday by up to 3 million barrels. That ught fears that more cheating by OPEC producers might lead to a price war and another market

Mr. Lukman, who serves as Nigeria's oil minister, also said he had called for meetings of OPEC committees on pricing and production.

The cartel's news agency, OPECNA, reported that Mr. Lukman would meet in Vienna with the and support staff will be hired in oil ministers of Venezuela and Indonesia to discuss the problem.

THIOKOL: Rocket Firing Is a Chance at Redemption

(Continued from first finance page) What Shuttle projects have slipped away. Em-Means to ployees, though not top management, blame the accident Just as criticism of Thiokol's re-

fade on Capitol Hill two months ago, the Pentagon announced that it was withholding \$1 million a month, or 10 percent of its payments to the company, until Thiokel cleaned up its work on the first stage of the MX missile, which has been plagued by troubles in the navigational system made by Nor-

throp Corp. To those who followed the shuttle investigation, the air force's complaints sounded familiar. I don't want to say flat out that

it's sloppy workmanship." Lieuten-ant Colonel Barry Glickman, a spokesman for the Ballistic Missile Office, said in response to a query about Thiokol's performance on

working to solve the MX problems long before the air force got invoived, and they insist the project is back on track.

We had some people not fol-

lowing instructions," said Mr. Garrison, the head of the aerospace group who has worked for Thiokol for 34 years. Problems aside, he said, tests have shown that Thio-kol's part of the MX "has the high-

time to think of anything else." So enormous is the task that Thiokol's space division, which fell to about 1,750 employees in the days after the accident, has now swelled

to 2,800, and 400 more engineers

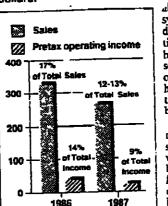
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ing more than \$400 million, and that is work from which Thickol gets no profit. The company will make substantial profits, however, from the sale of the actual rockets. Its lock on booster manufacturing for NASA has been extended to the mid-1990s, prompting sharp criticism from some members of Con-

Even with the influx of new talent, the redesign has not gone entirely smoothly. Thursday's test fir- officials expect to hear whether ing was originally scheduled to take place three months ago. But tooling problems and worries about the design of a new J seal, which insulates the rocket's four major joints. caused postponements.

Although confidence in the new design is high, the company and Thursday's test, the first of six full-NASA have been criticized by an scale firings that Mr. Garrison asoutside panel of National Research

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"li's not really Thickel's fault," said John Thomas, the NASA engineer who is overseeing Thiokol's work on the booster. There are just not enough resources, in manufacturing or testing, to carry an alternate design along."

"Something we are worried about, to be quite frank, is that the system will overreact" to the accident, said John D. Thirkill, a longtime Thiokol manager brought back to Brigham City by Mr. Garrison to take over as general manager of the Wasatch operations. "We have to be eareful because any controls we put in place now we won't be able to pull off easily later on."

His concern goes to the heart of the fast-changing economics of the space shuttle: A space vehicle that was only marginally economical before the Challenger accident is fast becoming uneconomical in the disaster's aftermath. With the number of scheduled flights vastly reduced, the cost of each set of booster rockets will rise to about \$25 million, from about \$16 million before the accident.

Even then, Thiokol officials realize it will take far longer than ex-perted to recoup their huge investment in giant propellant mixers, test stands and other major equipment built to support upward of 24 flights a year. Thus, contracts for manufacturing unmanned rockets are becoming even more important

to the company. In the next few weeks Thiokol they have won, along with United Technologies Corp., the main subcontract for manufacturing the Air Force's new Titan 4 rockets, which will carry some payloads originally intended for the shuttle.

But the first priority is to get past Thursday's test, the first of six fullserts will make the redesigned Council experts for putting all of booster the most-tested, the m

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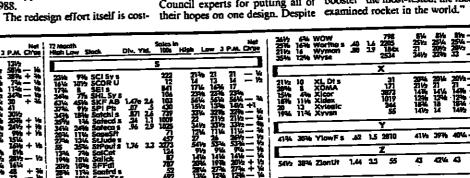
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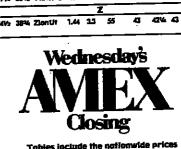
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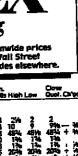
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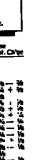
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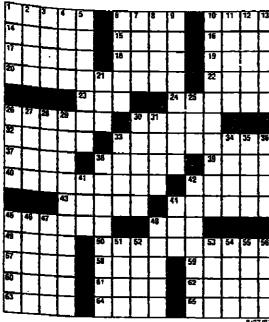


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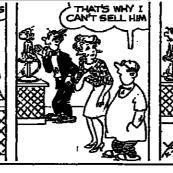
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STRAIGHT ON TILL MORNING: The Biography of Beryl Markham

By Mary S. Lavell. 408 pages. \$16.95. St. Martin's Press Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10010.

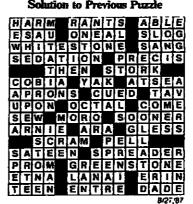
Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

BERYL MARKHAM'S brical autobiogra-phy "West With the Night," gives us a portrait of the author as a woman blessed with special understanding of the East Africa of her youth, a woman who was a supremely competent professional, equally adept at writing training racehorses and flying planes.
I could compute that I had flown a quarter

of a million miles," she wrote, explaining how she had come to be the first person to fly solo across the Atlantic from east to west. "And I could foresee that, so long as I had a plane and the sky was there, I should go on flying more miles. There was nothing extraordinary in this. I had learned a craft and had worked hard learning it. My hands had been taught to seek the controls of a plane. Usage had taught them. They were at ease clinging to a stick, as a cobbler's fingers are in repose grasping an awi. No human pursuit achieves dignity until it can be called work, and when you can experience a physical localiness for the tools of your trade. physical loneliness for the tools of your trade, you see that the other things - the experiments, the irrelevant vocations, the vanities you used to hold --- were false to you."

Mary Lovell's new biography, which places considerable emphasis on those extraneous experiments and vanities, gives us a picture of Markham considerably at odds with the avia-tor's self-portrait. Lovell's Markham is a selfindulgent adventuress, inept at handling money and emotions, irresponsible as a friend and negligent as a mother. Having abandoned care of her son Gervase to her mother-in-law when he was still an infant, Markham saw little of him when she was living nearby in London; and when he lay dying from injuries sustained in a car accident in 1971, she made no effort to see him. "Many of her recent friends," writes

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Lovell, "were not even aware that she had a

As her biographer sees it, Markhant's "phys-SOTIical self-confidence and emotional autiwardness" were largely the result of her anomalous childhood in Kenya and her lack of a conven-tional family life. Having been taken there at the age of 4 by her parents. Beryl was soon abandoned by her mother, who, unable to sustain the loneliness and isolation, returned bome to England. Preoccupied with the challenge of establishing a farm, her adored father left her to the care of a series of governesses, whom she routinely termented by placing spi-ders in their beds. Her most constant companions were neighboring African children, and she grew up learning how to speak the local languages as well as how to hunt with a bow-

and arrow and a spear.

In time, she would translate those physical skills and her sense of daring to the racetrack and to the skies, she would win acclaim and popularity for her achievements and she would write a book that Hemingway said made him "completely ashamed of myself as a writer."
For some reason, however, none of these talents enables Markham to support herself (when she died in 1986, she was drawing upon a fund started on ner behalf by various aviation and racing world friends), and neither her three marriages nor frequent love affairs would

prove emotionally sustaining.
The affair with Denys Finch Hatton, Karen Bi: can's great love; the fling with Prince Hen-ry, are duke of Gloucester; the flight across the Atlantic; the encounters with wild animals and Happy Valley socialites in Kenya — the bare-oned facts of Markham's life, alone, provide a dramatic story; and in this respect, "Straight on Till Morning" does make for absenting

reading. Unior unately, Lovell often puts little effort into pinning down the truth - a not unimportant exercise, given all the rumors and gossip that followed in Markham's wake. And she is equally lax when it comes to conveying her subject's inner life.

Clearie Markham, who was notoriously reticent about herself, could not have been an easy subject to portray, but the reader still expects her biographer to illuminate such issues by sifting and collating the available evidence. In this case, we are simply told, again and again. that Markham was fearless, that she was selfreliant, that she was charming, that she was better at developing friendships with animals than sustaining relationships with other human beings; and we begin to notice that descriptions of specific flights and specific racehorses are accorded more space than Markham's marriages or attempts to write. Indeed we finish "Straight on Till Morning" dismayed by the erratic course of Markham's life but ignorant of the woman berself. Better, one concludes, to simply read "West With the

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BRIDGE

By Alan Tauscott

F you start an argument L about the best American partnership, the selection is made simpler by excluding winners of world team change onships and those who have won the team trials that qualify for such events. Then the cognoscenti would surely select Marty Bergen of White Plains, New York and Larry Cohen of Little Falls, New Jersey who have a fine record in national events in the last five years. Bergen and Cohen have ideas, one of which came into play on the diagramed deal from the recent Spingold Knockout Team Championship in Baltimore. In their methods the three no-trump response showed opening values, flat distribution, and three-card support from partner's suit. That allowed North to select a game, and Bergen chose to pass. That left Cohen with an interesting playing problem when a club was led

normal play in spades was clearly nopeless, so South had to consider whether to try to run mine quick traks. That could be done if the neart suit produced four tricks. It was clear that West held at most four more clubs, so Cohen made a fine move by leading that suit and putting West to the test. He failed it by playing the nine, and his three remaining clubs withered on the vine

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in the replay, the club suit presented different problems East led the club queen against four spades and as the cards lie North should have covered with the king to block the suit. Not unnaturally be played low, and played low again, when the jack was led. West played low, and discovered in the port-mortem that he should have overtaken with the ace and given his partner a ruff. That play certainly offered the best chance for a successful defense.

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Red Sox pitcher Al Nipper was felled in the fifth inning Tuesday night when Donnie Hill's one-before being traded to Montreal for shortstop Tim Foli in 1977. Then

Speier's Home Run Beats Phils, Widens Giants' Lead

Speier, once a young phenom (or Cubs last year). San Francisco, has become an old

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

hero. Speier, 37, hit a home run to snap an eighth-inning tie as the Giants beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 3-2, here Tuesday night, The victory widened San Francisco's lead over Houston in the National League West to 11/2-games.

With one out in the eighth and the score at 2-2, Speier hammered a Kevin Gross curveball off the leftfield foul pole for his 10th homer of a two-run homer in a 6-1 victory

After only one season in the mi-nors, Speier became San Francisco's regular shortstop in 1971, the sion. He was a three-time All-Star

Speier then became a free agent - and hooked back on with San Francisco, where he has filled in at second, short and third when injuries sidelined younger players. In 266 at-bats this year, he is hitting .248, with 34 runs batted in and two grand-slam home runs. Afield, he's made only three errors.

"Chris Speier is the most valuable player on this ballclub." said Roger Craig after Tuesday's game. Informed of his manager's remark. the season. On Monday, he had hit difficult thing for him, to give me such a compliment," he said. "My hat's off to everyone on the club.
I'm just thankful to be part of it."

> Pirates 1, Reds 0: In Pittsburgh, rookie Mike Dunne pitched a twohitter for his first major league

Dodgers 3, Mets 1: In New York, John Shelby hit a two-run homer in

Louis, Lance Johnson and Vince third with a bases-empty home run. Coleman tripled in a two-run see- and Benito Santiago capped it with ond as the Cardinals snapped a live- a three-run shot.

Molitor's Streak Alive at 39

MILWAUKEE - Paul Molitor kept his hitting streak alive at 39

games Tuesday with a single off Cleveland reliever Don Gordon.

Milwaukee's designated hitter had flied out, walked and grounded out before lining Gordon's first pitch of the sixth inning for a single to right field. "I can't say I was worried," Molitor said, "But it looked

like one of those nights when you swing the bat well and come up empty. He finished 1-for-4 as Milwankee beat the Indians, 10-9.

Molitor's streak is the fifth longest in the major leagues since 1900. He trails Ty Cobb by one game, George Sisler (41 straight), Pete Rose

(44) and Joe DiMaggio (56). Molitor was to try to tie Cobb here

Said Molitor about the streak's eventual end: "Being realistic, you

know the moment is a day away, five hours away, two weeks away-it's going to happen." But, he added, "I'm not in any hurry."

Wednesday night against Cleveland's John Farrell.

Compiled in Our Staff From Departures came stops in St. Louis, Minnesota the first inning, helping Fernando game losing streak against Houston.

PHILADELPHIA — Chris and Chicago (he hit 284 for the Valenzuela beat the Mets.

Padres 5 Expos 1: In San Diego. Cardinals 7, Astros 1: In St. Stan Jefferson triggered a five-run

Tigers 5. Twins 4: In the American League, in Minneapolis, Doyle Alexander beat Minnesota for the second time in a week. Blue Jays 6, Mariners 3: In Scat-

tle, Fred McGriff drove in three runs with a double and his 17th. homer of the year to spark Toronto. Athletics 9, Orioles 7: In Oakland. California, two-run homers i by Steve Henderson and Mickey

Tettleton highlighted a six-run fifth that rallied the A's. Angels 5, Yankees 1: In Anaheim, California, John Candelaria scattered six hits over eight shutout innings to lift California.

Rangers 15, Royals 8: In Kansas City, Missouri, Ruben Sierra went 4-for-5 with two homers and scored the tie-breaking run in the seventh.

Red Sox 7. White Sox 3: In Boston, rookie Sam Horn hit two bases-empty homers, and Marty Barrett and Dwight Evans added RBI singles as the Red Sox downed.

Summer Game Revs Up for an Autumnal Cardiac

WASHINGTON - O.K., everybody up from the bottom of the pool. Put your sand showels back in the cattery drawer. The only way to face life after Labor Day - back to work, back to school — is with pen-nant races. Real ones. The kind they have in the National League, where blood feuds and brushbacks aren't cudangered species and where DH

stands for doubleheader. Sure, end of vacation and you're not feeling so hot. There's a cure. Catch up on the summer game in time for an autumn cardiac. Go on, confess: You've lapsed.

The last time you really studied the stats Mark McGwire still had a shot at 62 home runs, the St. Louis dinals looked like a playoff lock and Paul Molitor was on the alldisappointment team. August does it to the best of us. Forgive us, baseball, for we've sinned.

be crucial because nobody has yet ton Red Sox. They could set up an figured out the first thing about the 1987 season. Who thought the best Yes, this National League

VANTAGE POINT/Thomas Boswell

Johnson's going they might name

57 kinds of ice cream after him.

If you can figure out what's afoot in the National League, you get in the Classic, like the young Willie some kind of special award. The Mays in 1954. How can anyone about them that they haven't already has more stolen bases than the whole '34 Cardinal team.

If the Cards are choice, then San for the Mets, what can one say about them that they haven't already has more stolen bases than the whole '34 Cardinal team.

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If the Cards are choice, then San for the Mets, what can one say about them that they haven't already has more stolen bases than the whole '34 Cardinal team. American League's easy. Three pret- root against a team whose four top

ty good teams in the East and one starters have a collective earned that's not owned by someone named run average over 5.00? George will win. The West? Four (it may be six) pretty bad dull teams;

team into the playoffs - magic. The Mets could be humbled twice in one season (in April and Septemas as the Montreal Expos, the most Tim Wallach, we'd have to learn overlooked team since the '86 Bos- what position he plays.

Yes, this National League busi-

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played in New York, then the way having come this far, be allowed to cess, thank you (please pass the

But the Expos also ment our prayers. After all, don't you want who cares if any of them win?

But the National League is different. Pete Rose could manage a

to see something called Andres Galarraga without getting in an airplane to fly over it? Imagine: Neal Heaton (39-56 during his career at Cleveland), clinches the pennant, then Dennis Martinez (29-42 the ber) - too good to be true. A team last four years and released by Balfrom the Astrodome could make timore) starts the Series opener. As the playoffs two years in a row - for the man who may well lead the too depressing to believe. And look major leagues in runs batted in,

Just as the Reds and Expos are consummations devoutly to be wished, so the Mets and Houston, player on the world champion New ness requires looking at. First of all, who did so nicely by us last fall, York Mets would be Howard John- it's necessary to the country's bior- would please us just as well to stay son? If they named one candy bar hythmic balance and gastrointesti- home this time. The Astros: Mike after Reggie Jackson when he hal peace that the Cincinnati Reds. Scott has had about enough suc-

ready said about themselves?

In pennant races, as in jumping to have two choices (last year the secret by the Bay. final two weeks were a yawn with no choices at all), but this time we have viable alternatives in both divisions.

After all they've endured this season, it would be small-minded to begrudge the Cardinals some glory. What we have here is one of the most exciting lineups ever constructed without benefit of significant home run power. They're another '34 Gas House Gang.

See Jack Clark hitting a home run and think of Rip Collins. See Willie McGee driving in runs and think Ducky Medwick. See Tommy Herr, Ozzie Smith and Terry Pendleton gloving everything and think of but nobody really seems primed to Cris Carter of Ohio State, who lost
Frankie Frisch, Leo Durocher and win there either. The Mets played his final year of eligibility after he
Pittsburgh Steelers and Miami

ing a new book ("JFK: The Man and the Airport") and think Dizzy Dean, See Vince Coleman and well, don't think of anybody. He

imitate the batting stances of their four core hitters - Will Clark. out of airplanes, it's nice to have a Chili Davis, Candy Maldonado backup chute. Usually we're lucky and Jeffrey Leonard? They are the

> The key elements to watch as these races develop? There aren't

West can play a lick. The Reds can't sociation and major league baseball, pitch, the Astros can't hit and the which routinely draft underclass-Giants fall on their faces every time men, the NFL has honored a 50they sweep somebody and look like year agreement with the colleges not they're about to take charge. Any- to take such players. body who wins 85 games could be a The supplemental draft is geared runaway in a division that, collec- specifically to college students who in the season opener, Sept. 14. tively, may finish 50 games under have lost eligibility because they 500. So root for cheap Marge Schott have taken money from agents. to open her purse and get Rose a The league reluctantly set the pitcher for the stretch run.

Pepper Martin. Listen to pitcher Joe wonderfully a year ago, before their accepted a loan from two agents, private lives started looking like Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom. outtakes from "The People's Carter had threatened to sue the admit it. Court." The Cards played quite NFL on the ground that its refusal nicely before the All-Star Game, to draft him restricted his chances Don Shula of Miami on Tuesday. but since have looked exhausted of earning a living. and ready for picking. Unless
Comeback-southpaw John Tudor for at the University of Michigan, hits top form fast, St. Louis will sent Rozelle a letter Tuesday askneed luck and outside help to win, ing him to reconsider. It followed a 164 yards passing in a 1-28 less to burgh probably wouldn't be.

Except for Tim Raines, the Expos strongly worded letter sent MonDenver on Monday night.

In their first two outings, the Except for Tim Raines, the Expos strongly worded letter sent Monare almost a no-name team. So day by Carl Miller, the head of the Floyd Youmans and Bob (Ice Sta- country's governing body of athletion) Sebra are almost a match for tic director Rags Faircloth of dead-ball days, Among Miller's points were that

> healthy pitching. But no National League divisional champion has re-lucky, none will again.

Colleges to Attempt to Dissuade NFL From Holding Supplemental Draft

NEW YORK - Several of the country's top college athletic directors hope to meet here Thursday with Pete Rozelle, the commissioner of the National Football League, to urge him to postpone Friday's scheduled special draft.

That draft, they fear, could be the first step in breaking down the tradition that collegians are not drafted

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before their classes have graduated. None of the contenders in the Unlike the National Baskethall As-

itcher for the stretch rum.

Special draft because it feared a
The teams are better in the East, lawsuit from one of the players,

league's long-standing relationship Cold common sense says that the Mets and Astros are rolling back to have allowed pro scouts to test athletes as well as visit them on campus.

Iowa at Giants Stadium. It is unlikely that they will be able to dissuade Rozelle from staging the draft. Quarterback Jim McMahon's on

again, off-again status with the Chicago Bears appears off — again. Coach Mike Ditka, who had expected McMahon to start Monday night's exhibition game against St. Louis, isn't even sure McMahon will be able to play. McMahon is still recovering from shoulder sur-gery performed last December and

his ability to throw in practice has

been limited by a sore arm. Ditka said that Mike Tomczak. who started the first two exhibition games, would start Monday and could get the call against the Super Bowl champion New York Giants

"McMahon threw some Tuesday], but it was hard to tell," Ditka tem since his 12-day holdout and said. "It was wet out there and it "It was wet out there and it was like throwing a hand grenade."

Dolphins need a lot of work and their coaching staffs are the first to "We've got a long way to go," said

but the altitude of a pennant race the league acted without "reason-haven't shown it," defensive coordicould easily bring vertigo to Mon-able discussion." He pointed to the nator Tony Dungy said of the Steelhaven't shown it," defensive coordier secondary. Opposing quarter-backs completed 60 percent of their overtime victory against New Enpasses in Pittsburgh losses to Washpasses in Pittsburgh losses to Washimmed (22.17) and (Thicsen (50-14)). overe "Ruan said. "If we get more ington (23-17) and Chicago (50-14).



Jim McMahon: Off - again.

rounds of the draft. But first-round pick Rod Woodson has yet to sign. second-rounder Delton Hall has been slow to learn the Steeler sysfourth-round pick Thomas Everett is sidelined with a shoulder injury.

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'You think you've got yourself some help, and you do on paper, but you've got to play the game," Dungy said. "They're three good players and they'll help eventually.

Ryan, hailed by some as a defen-"We just gave up too many big sive genius when he was with Chi-plays, especially on third down. We can't afford 'hat." The Dolphins defensive performance, although surrendered .07 yards rushing and the couches at Miami and Pitis-In their first two outings, the Ea-

The Steelers have given up 547 gles did not surrender a long touch-yards passing and five scoring down drive, had 13 sacks, averaged passes in two exhibition losses. only 220 net yards against and post-We've got the ability, but so far we ed an opposing pass-completion av-

overs." Ryan said Dungy thought the team made pressure on the quarterback, we'll Many of the nation's top athletic major improvements in the second- get more. And another week went

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heard reports of their being taken at that channel that links Cape Pogne and Pocha spot. The first indication that all might not ponds, but couldn't resist it because several be well came as we were jouncing along a

vehicle coming toward us. "that someone has gotten there ahead of us, found nothing and is returning?"

As the vehicle drew near, Palma ex-claimed, "I think it's Kib!" It was -- Kib Bramball, a mutual friend. Because he is a highly accomplished surf

his wife. Sue, and their two young sons us there were no fish at Wasque. arrived on the Vineyard for a week's vaca-Shaken but undaunted, we bade him farewell, pressed on and fished Wasque -with no success - for an hour until the tide was nearly slack.

rock jetties and the reef just beyond the Cape Pogue lighthouse. And if that fails, that juts out into the ocean off the portion of we can always catch a mess of small blues in Cape Pogue Pond because they stay in there all summer." be the only one. The tide is about to turn there all summer." the Vineyard known as Chappaquiddick.

I was sure that we would catch big bluefish because only a few days before, I had I was going to pass up the east end of the

knots of terns were diving in the fastmoving current.

Palma made one cast with a new popping plug I had loaned him. He had re-trieved it about 10 feet (3.04 meters) when an unidentified fish of unknown size hit. parting the line. Palma apologized for losing the plug and I replied — truthfully — that it didn't matter, that what mattered was that we had finally located fish. Fifty casts and 20 minutes later, we left the spot,

The jetties and the reef produced nothing. The sun gleamed over a gently heaving ocean. And as far as we could see, there were no terns working. The only birds visible were a trio of heavy-bodied herring gulls on the shore squabbling for posses-

I began to have doubts, but kept them from Palma and suggested that we make the long drive to Cape Pogue Gut, the channel that links Cape Pogue Pond with Edgartown's outer harbor. On his third

blues are present will disperse."

He lost the fish at the water's edge. A bluefish made a pass at my plug, and

> Groping my way through hordes of summer visitors at the Alley's Store in West Tisbury later that day, I was informed by Tony Rezendes, a fellow Vineyarder, that Tisbury Great Pond, which had been alewives - spawned that spring in the brooks that enter the pond - that would be pouring out into the ocean, attracting, it seemed certain, ravenous hordes of bluefish. So I called Palrua and told him to fish the newly formed opening. He did so that afternoon and the following day, catching

> in Gay Head, where small blues had abounded less than a week earlier. I saw neither fish nor fishermen in two hours of casting.
> Later that day, reports from other sources began to reach me, the essence of them being that bluefish had departed the

Vineyard's shores. All informants save one

about the completion of the Mayan calendar being a disruptive influence. Taking pity on Palma and me, Bramhall invited us to fish a prime stretch of striped bass water at Squibnocket, a rocky portion of the Vineyard's south shore to which he has access by car. In the three hours we fished, Bramhall had three stripers make a

pass at his plug. Palma had one do the same: I had none. My friends invited me to join them for lunch, but I was beyond wanting the sustenance offered by food and drink. I had to catch a fish. I spent the remainder of the day at Lobsterville Beach, caught nothing, and startled - with an incoherent litany about fickle winds, summer doldrums and the Mayan calendar - the one angler (an off-islander) I encountered, who asked me

That night, still possessed, I called Pal-ma and asked him if he was up for another pre-dawn shot at Wasque the following morning. He was. That trip was a nearduplicate of the first. We wound up at Cape Pogue Gut, where Palma again caught two 3-pound bluefish and I nothing. The only difference was that, some where between the Gut and home, arousement devoured my obsession.



Lou Palma, casting in vain for bluefish at Martha's Vineyard

When, I don't know. Philadelphia Coach Buddy

erage of 40 percent.
But Ryan said the Eagles could

Vineyard Blues: The Bug Bites, but the Fish Don't

By Nelson Bryant New York Times Service NEW YORK - During the past few years. I had persuaded myself that more than half a century of angling had left me marvelously adapted to the vagaries of the sport - that if fish were not to be had, I would simply smile, recline against a sand dune or tree, sniff the breeze and reflect upon the glories of the natural world.

That self-image faded recently when for substantial chunks of four days, I raced from one end of Martha's Vineyard to the other in a growing fury of frustration at being unable to catch anything. It all began when Lou Palma, a longtime friend and occasional angling companion:

"If you are not too decrepit to get up at four tomorrow morning," I told him by telephone the evening he arrived, "I'll put you into big bluefish." He accepted the gambit, and the sun had not yet risen the following dawn when we began the drive to Wasque, a sandy point

trail through the dunes and saw another "Doesn't that mean," asked Palma,

"Don't fret," I responded. "It's probably some summer visitor who has spent the night fishing in the wrong place."

fisherman, we regarded Bramhall's leaving the beach with trepidation. Indeed, he told

"Don't worry," I told my friend, "there are half a dozen other places where I almost always find fish, including the old

having raised no more fish.

sion of a desiccated skate.

cast in the Gut. Palma hooked a small "Be careful with him," I said, "He may

his halfhearted swirl was the closest I came to catching a fish that day. Palma beached two 3-pound (1.36-kilogram) blues before slack water arrived and we departed. closed for weeks, had been opened to the ocean. I thought of the millions of baby

On that second day, I rose again at 4 A.M. and went alone to Lobsterville Beach

blamed the usual mid-August doldrums. The lone dissenter muttered something

to tell him the best places to fish.

ART BUCHWALD

Implausible Deniability

WASHINGTON—One of the good things to come out of the "We're sorry but Mr. Wigwam, who signs our checks, is in the host of the sorry but the signs our checks, is in the host for three phrase "plausible deniability" used pital and won't be back for three by the White House minions. The months." Or "We regret our comobject of plausible deniability was puter is down and we will not be to give the president an out if anyone attempted to trace dirty White we hear from our programmer in House linen to the Oval Office. Tokyo."

"The president didn't know because I didn't tell him," bragged deniability cards in their wallets, Admiral Poindexter during the

hearings, thus giving Reagan the deniability he so badly needed during the worst period

of his term. It is also believed that other witnesses provided themselves with plausible deniability

while cooking up various covert actions, but each witness was judged differently. The public decided in the case of Albert Hakim that his deniability was a work of treachery, while in the case of Ollie North it was an act of patriotism.

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Although plausible deniability became fashionable during the Iran-contra hearings it is really as old as American apple pie, and there isn't a segment of our society that doesn't use it.

For example, suppose you are waiting on a check from a compa-ny. This is the kind of plausible

Collector to Give 300 Dalís to Spain

MADRID — An Irish art collector said he was donating his 300-painting collection. works by the Surrealist painter Sal-

Peter Moore, a former secretary to Dall, said in Cadaques where he No one in the country could live runs a museum devoted to Dali, Moore, who was Dali's secretary

for 15 years until 1972, said he would keep only a few of his Dali paintings, including one the artist gave him. Dali, 83, lives near Cada- another, and in defense uses the ques in Figueras, a secluded figure ultimate excuse, "I was only fol-sance his wife died in 1982.

Tradesmen all carry plausible which they take out and recite at will. "I didn't promise to deliver the slipcovers in August — I told you I would have them ready between August and November, It's written right here in my pocket calendar." That or "We were there yesterday but no one answered the door."

Personnel managers are experts in plausible deniability. There must be some mistake. We never offered you a job — we just told you that if something opened up you would get equal consideration. If you don't accept this as a reasonable explanation we will shred all copies of your resume."

Even schoolchildren learn early in life to provide themselves with deniability. "I didn't know I was supposed to do homework because nobody told me." Or "Miss Mathers said I didn't have to turn in my term paper until Tuesday. I have the date marked in my assignment book, so she must have gotten her

instructions all wrong." And while we're at it, let's not forget the P.D. practiced by teenagers. "The reason I didn't bring the car home last night is it broke down and I could not find anyone to fix it, and I didn't want to leave it sitting out there on the Beltway, so

I guarded it all night long."
"What proof do you have?"

is. It is a story that can't be shaken whether told by an airline clerk vador Dali to the Spanish state,
"It's an obvious thing to do. The
Dali paintings belong to Spain,"
who tells you you have no reservation or an auto mechanic who claims he has repaired your brakes. without it. Even in affairs of the heart P.D. plays a most vital role. Who in this great country has not been caught going out with some-body while he or she belongs to

Michael Gambon, Virtuoso on Stage

By Mel Gussow New York Times Service

ONDON - In London in the summer of 1976, I was disappointed to learn that Alan Bates, the star of Simon Grav's "Otherwise Engaged," had left the cast and had been replaced by an actor named Mi-

coolly unemotional publisher. However, I profession. Role for role, pound for pound,

Ask English actors which colleague they American stage — apparently he has had has a few scenes does not detract from the neither the time nor the occasion — a dimension of his performance. major loss for American theater.

Alan Ayckbours and Harold Pinter.

the West End. Later in the season, Gambon will act in "Uncle Vanya." As is customary with this extraordinary

actor, he is almost unrecognizable from role to role. Gambon has always had the ability to transform himself into people apparently distant from his own personality, but Eddie Carbone must be counted as

This 46-year-old Englishman is totally convincing — and more — as Arthur Miller's Italian-American longshoreman. From the moment he walks on stage, with a clown-size comedic talent was only one movement that is both graceful and lumaspect of a multifaceted theater artist. bering, he is Eddie Carbone, on the hoof, a man who, in the actor's interpretation, is almost too large for his body. With his sweeping gestures — the way he embraces

pho into a boxing match — he seems to encompass everything in sight. Emotional-ly as well as physically he is bone-crushing. He delivers the kind of dangerous performance once associated with Brando.

Theatergoers seeing Gambon for the first time in "A View from the Bridge" will be startled to encounter him in "Tons of As it turned out, the relatively unknown Monsy." (as adapted and directed by Gambon was splendid in the role of the Ayckbourn). In this creaky farce, he plays a small, supporting role, and wins the evehad no idea that in scarcely more than 10 ning's heartiest laughs. Standing at a per-years he would rise to the peak of his petual tilt, with his back hunched, he could be a good-natured Quasimodo. He always Michael Gambou is, arguably, the finest seems to be leaning against a door or actor in the English theater. against another actor, as each is about to give way. This is a subtle, though occasionmost admire and many would name Gam- ally boisterous performance, filled with bon. Gambon has not yet appeared on the mirthful invention. The fact that he only

As another change of pace, on alternate He is a stage actor who never stops nights, he turns into Ayckbourn's Jack challenging himself and his audience and MacCracken, who takes over the "Small who swings gymnastically from the weightiest of classics to sardonic contemporary rounded by increasingly greater family corcomedies. Not only is he is a master at uption. By Gambon standards, MacCracken he is one of England's fora. Shakespeare, he is one of England's fore- Cracken is a bland character, the actor most interpreters of the plays of Gray, imbues him with substance.

These three faces of Gambon are enough As proof of his range, this summer he to certify his versatility, but one alters that has been performing three widely diverse word to virtuosity when considering his roles in repertory at the National: Eddie other accomplishments. In previous sea-carbone in "A View from the Bridge"; sons, as Brecht's Galileo and as King Lear, sous, as Brecht's Galileo and as King Lear, be had the classical grandeur of Laurence Olivier. At other times, he has displayed a comic eccentricity like that of Ralph Richardson.

"A View from the Bridge," as directed by Ayckbourn, has been such a success at the National that in the fall it will move to the West End. Laurence

Several years ago, I asked Olivier about Gambon and he replied, "He was one of my 'old boys' at the National. I started him in almost walk-on parts." He added, with evident admiration, "He's a very important

Gambon's Galileo and Lear, the first in 1981 at the National, the second in 1982 at the Royal Shakespeare Company's theater in Stratford-upon-Avon, were titanic characterizations, and a turning point in his career. Suddenly, people realized that his

The following year he played Antony to Helen Mirren's Cleopatra for the Royal Shakespeare Company in London. It was astonishing to look at any of the three his niece or coaxes the immigrant Rodol- performances and to realize that there was





Michael Gambon as Galileo (top), as Eddie Carbone in "A View From the Bridge" (above left) and as the butler Sprules in "Tons of Money."

also a Pinter-Gray-Ayckbourn actor within

the epic framework.

One key to his artistry is that he has always been a character actor rather than a leading man. From an early age, he has played roles older than his years, a fact that is helped by his robust, leonine physique.
Although he played the role of the husband
in "Betrayal," later interpreted on the
screen by Jeremy Irons, he has not generalbeen cast in romantic leads.

Though his reputation has been growing the year on the London stage, Gambon is made only a few films (upstaging Ben Kingsley and Glenda Jackson as the kindly zookeeper in "Turtle Diary"). However, Dennis Potter's recent English television

mini-series, "The Singing Detective," sud-dealy turned him into a household name in Britain.

In an interview in the current issue of Drama, an English magazine, Gambon characterized his technique as "almost like method acting." Before going on stage, he said, "I stand there trying to find the center of the character. Sometimes, you don't find it and you get by on a sort of sense-memory of what it was like when it worked. But I know when I've got him. I finish with my heart pounding, feeling as if I've been run-

ning."

If Marlon Brando had continued to work in the theater, he might have developed into an American Michael Gambon.

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Springs, New York, but faited to beat the 105-foot-d-inch mark his beat his bea ed in the Guinness Book of World Records. His best effort was 96 2001 (about 29 melers). Medieus, a professor at Rensectives Polytechnic Institute, said he should have done more research, broken man, a crushed, I'm not a broken man, a crushed, I'm not a

A new book has been published and the Soviet Union about Signature Smith, she is the subject of a forthcoming opera, and a fund. raising campaign known as "Project Samantha" also has been start. ed to finance projects between children of the Soviet Union and other nations and to erect a monny ment in memory of the girl from Maine, the Communist Party daily Pravda reported Wednesday. Sa-mantha, who died in J plane crash on Aug. 25, 1985, at age 13, gained international attention when she wrote a letter to Yuri Andropov, the Soviet leader, in December 1982 expressing concern about war between the superpowers. Andropov invited Samantha and her parents to the Soviet Union in 1983.

The gawkers, the paparazzi and the television crews were back in Los Angeles Superior Court to record the moment as Joan Collins was granted a divorce from her fourth husband. Peter Holm. Collins, dressed in a white suit decorated by twin butterfly pins, told Judge Kenseth Black that irrecon-cilable differences had led to the split and no further counseling could save the 1.3-month-old union. Black swiftly pronounced the manriage over. This latest round in the eight-mouth divorce war took about a minute. Later, the star of television's "Dynasty" stood before cameras and reporters to dismiss the 40-year-old Holm as a "bit of a loser" and an "ex-chapter in my life." Vowing she will not marry a fifth time, the actress joked, "I don't need a husband. I need a wife." Holm and Collins are due back in court Oct. 7 to spar over his request for \$80,000 in support and his claim to a "substantial" portion of Collins's holdings.

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